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Together With the

Report of the School Committee and the

Various Town Officers

for the

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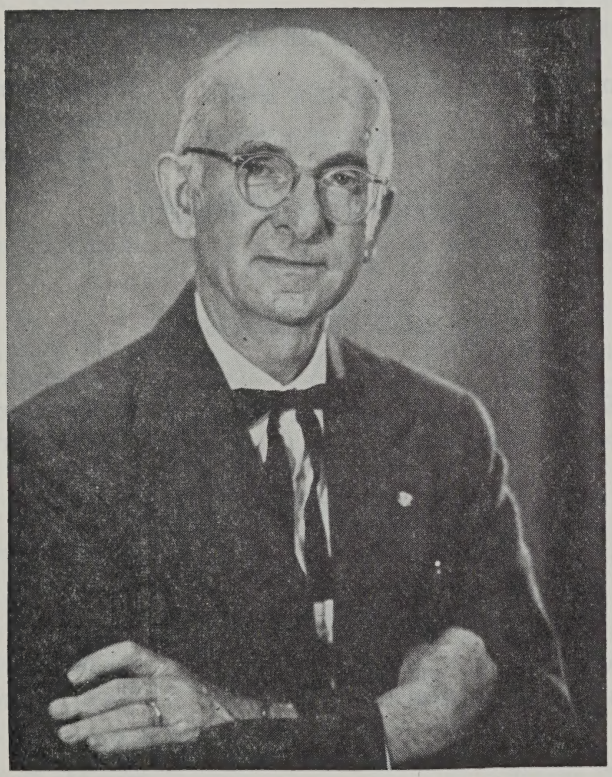

Professor Franklin C. Roberts

1893 — 1960

Selectman, 1942-1960

Member of the Board of Health, 1945-1957

Member of Regional District School Committee, 1957-1960

TOWN OFFICERS

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Raymond Perley	Term expires 1961
Harry L. Cole	Term expires 1962
John G. Bolton	Term expires 1963

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Selectmen

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Harry L. Cole	Term expires 1961
Harry E. Trask	Term expires 1962
J. Warren Chadwick	Term expires 1963

TOWN TREASURER

Lucy K. Parkhurst	Term expires 1961

TOWN CLERK

E. Laurence Colby	Term expires 1962
Barbara C. Perley, Assistant	Term expires 1962

MODERATOR

William J. Greenler, Jr.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES

Simeon S. Pearl

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

David S. Waters	Term expires 1961
John Stuart Haywood (Resigned)	Term expires 1961
Donald C. Hammond	Term expires 1962
LeRoy Elliott Curtis, Jr.	Term expires 1963

BOARD OF HEALTH

Raymond Perley — Term expires 1961
Harry L. Cole — Term expires 1962
Stephen Maddock, M.D. — Term expires 1963

TREE WARDEN

Alerson E. Noyes

HIGHWAY SURVEYORS

Clinton E. French
B. Robert Cunningham

CONSTABLES

Nathaniel N. Love, Jr.
Walter H. Gamans, Jr.

CHIEF OF POLICE

Nathaniel N. Love, Jr.

MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

Alerson E. Noyes

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Chester A. Leighton

COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL FUNDS

Amy G. Parkhurst
Harry E. Trask
Richard P. Chadwick

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Barbara C. Perley — Term expires 1962

CHIEF OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Archer N. French

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

William J. Greenler, D.V.M.

INSPECTORS OF SLAUGHTERING

Charles H. Foster
Clinton B. Nason

TRUANT AND ATTENDANCE OFFICERS

Archer N. French
Clayton A. Nelson

DOG OFFICER

James P. Gray

FOREST WARDEN

Archer N. French

FENCE VIEWERS

Selectmen

REGIONAL DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Merton S. Barrows	Term expires 1963
Franklin C. Roberts, Sr. (Deceased)	Term expires 1962
Charles Rich	Term expires 1961

PLANNING BOARD

Simeon S. Pearl	Term expires 1961
Warren R. Godfrey	Term expires 1961
Charles L. Cotton	Term expires 1962
Charles P. A. Nelson	Term expires 1963
E. Laurence Colby	Term expires 1964
J. Warren Chadwick	Term expires 1965
William E. Dorman	Term expires 1965

TRUSTEE OF BOXFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY

Seth L. Kelsey

CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR

Gordon A. Russell

DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF CIVIL DEFENSE

Henry W. Nason

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Henry W. Nason

WIRE INSPECTOR

Herbert W. Sperry

TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE

Winthrop P. Haynes	Term expires 1961
Robert B. Parkhurst	Term expires 1962
Walter K. Morss	Term expires 1963

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Thomas E. Cargill, Jr.	Term expires 1961
Charles Rich (Resigned)	Term expires 1962
Jerome F. Aldrich	Term expires 1962
Bruno E. Prevost	Term expires 1963
Gerrit Fort, Jr.	Term expires 1964
Theodore Austin	Term expires 1965

TOWN COUNSEL

William J. Greenler, Jr.

APPEAL BOARD

Winthrop P. Haynes	Term expires 1960
Richard A. Spofford	Term expires 1961
John A. Chew	Term expires 1962
Paul G. Edwards	Term expires 1963

APPEAL BOARD ALTERNATE

Ronald Houldsworth	Term expires 1962

RECREATIONAL COMMITTEE

Benjamin W. Freeman	Term expires 1961
Shirley MacGill	Term expires 1962
A. Gordon Price	Term expires 1962
Marion M. Colby	Term expires 1963
David G. Doughty	Term expires 1963

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Winthrop P. Haynes
Stuart K. Harris
Stephen J. Maddock, Jr.
Seth L. Kelsey
Marie M. Pinkham
Edward L. French

SPECIAL POLICE

Clinton E. French
Henry W. Nason
Cecil Farnsworth
Ethel Walker
Walter H. Gamans, Jr.
Franklin C. Roberts, Jr.
Charles H. Getchell
Earle Blake
Richard V. Donovan
Peter L. Vrettos

RESERVE POLICE FOR CIVIL DEFENSE

Harold R. Johnson
Horace D. Moore
Ernest M. Mortimer
Francis S. Smith
John F. Berg

SWORN WEIGHERS
MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK
SURVEYORS OF LUMBER
FIELD DRIVERS

BOXFORD DATA

The Town of Boxford was incorporated in 1685.

Population (1960 census), 2010.

Area in square miles, 25.39.

Boxford is in the Third Essex Senatorial District and in the Ninth Essex Representative District.

The Senator is Phillip A. Graham, 293 Bridge Street, Hamilton, Massachusetts.

The Representative is Paul G. Zollo, 13 Forest Street, Danvers, Massachusetts.

The Building Inspector is Henry W. Nason, Washington Street, West Boxford. Telephone — Haverhill, DRake 2-2320.

The Wire Inspector is Herbert W. Sperry, Main Street, West Boxford. Telephone — Haverhill, DRake 2-7649.

The Sanitary Engineer is Tracy I. Flagg, 111 Collins Street, Danvers. Telephone (evenings) — SPring 4-4979.

LIST OF JURORS — 1960-1961

Andruss, Barbara B., housewife, Mill Road, Boxford.
Callahan, C. Henry, retired, Bare Hill Road, Boxford.
Cargill, Thomas E., Sr., insurance investigator, Main St., Boxford.
Curtis, LeRoy E., telephone engineer, Ipswich Road, West Boxford.
Feronetti, James, retired, Ipswich Road, Boxford.
Gaffey, Francis J., superintendent, Sunrise Road, Boxford.
Gale, Albert G., retired, Depot Road, Boxford.
Gardner, F. Carlisle, salesman, Georgetown Road, Boxford.
Garrity, Robert F., retired, Cross Road, Boxford.
Gingrande, Arthur, engineer, Herrick Road, Boxford.
Hebb, Robert E., contractor, Lake Shore Road, West Boxford.
Marsh, John P., lamp manufacturer, Elm Street, Boxford.
Mattraw, Barbara H., housewife, Topsfield Road, Boxford.
Morss, Stanwood R., fruit specialist, Lake Shore Road, West Boxford.
Poor, Robert H., wood worker, Main Street, Boxford.
Price, Rosamond, real estate broker, Washington Street, West Boxford.
Purinton, Charles A., retired, Depot Road, Boxford.
Shappell, Stanley, engineer, Spofford Road, West Boxford.
Shattuck, Otis E., retired, Ipswich Road, Boxford.
Weatherbee, Robert S., machinist, Main Street, West Boxford.

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, MARCH 7, 1960

The annual town meeting of the voters of Boxford was held at the Harry Lee Cole School at 8 P.M. with William J. Greenler, Jr. presiding as moderator. After a moment of silent prayer, the following business was transacted by more than 300 voters present.

Article 1. Voted to accept the reports of the Town Officers and Committee as printed in the annual town report with the exception of the report on the disposition of the Morse House property. It was voted that the property be retained by the town and set aside as a permanent public park after a review of the historical background by Mrs. Charles Austin, Boxford's oldest voter.

Article 2. Voted to adopt the suggested budget as printed with two exceptions: "Wire Inspector" to be reduced from $850.00 to $750.00, and "Police" to be reduced from $4700.00 to $4100.00.

Article 3. Voted to appropriate the sum of $500.00 for the maintenance of Road Machinery, said amount to be transferred from the Road Machinery Fund.

Article 4. Voted to appropriate $5,000.00 for the Reserve Fund, said amount to be transferred from Overlay Reserve.

Article 5. Voted to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1960, and to issue a note or notes therefor, paying within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

Article 6. Voted to pass over.

Article 7. Voted to pass over.

Article 8. Voted to appropriate $405.13 refunded from the County on account of dog licenses to be divided between

the two libraries as follows: $202.57 to the West Boxford Library and $202.56 to the Boxford Library.

Article 9. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $1100.00 to be divided equally between the two libraries of the town for use toward the operation of said libraries.

Article 10. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $800.00 for the use of the Boxford Library in making necessary repairs at the library building and for the proper maintenance thereof.

Article 11. Voted to accept the provisions of Section 8C of Chapter 40 of the General Laws, inserted by Section 1 of Chapter 223 of the Acts of 1957, so that the town may establish a Conservation Commission for the promotion and development of the natural resources and for the protection of watershed resources of the town, the commission to be five in number and appointed by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 12. Voted to authorize the Planning Board to receive Planning Services through the Massachusetts Department of Commerce with Federal aid under section 701 of title VII of the housing act of 1954 as amended, and that the sum of $3,000.00 be raised and appropriated for this purpose and to be expended over two years.

Article 13. Article was withdrawn.

Article 14. Voted to continue the improvement of a section of Washington St. under Chapter 90 and to raise and appropriate the sum of $5,000.00 to be used in conjunction with the State and County funds.

Article 15. Voted to appropriate from Surplus Revenue the sum of $31,500.00 to meet the State and County allotments for highways, the money when reimbursed to be credited to Surplus Revenue.

Article 17. Voted to adopt the following by-law by hand vote, 163 yes, 41 no:

Section 1. No person shall fire or discharge any firearm within the limits of any park, playground, or other public property except with the consent of the Board of Selectmen, or hunt or fire or discharge any firearm on any private prop-

erty except with the written consent of the owner or legal occupant thereof.

Section 2. This by-law shall not apply to the lawful defense of life or property, nor to any law enforcement officer acting in the discharge of his duties.

Section 3. Any person violating any of the provisions of this by-law shall be punished by a fine of not more than $20.00 for each offense.

Section 4. Any existing by-law relating to hunting and the discharging of firearms which may be inconsistent with the foregoing by-law is hereby repealed.

Article 18. Voted that the membership of the School Committee be increased to five; and that this be accomplished as follows:

1) At the first annual meeting hereafter two members shall be chosen for terms of three years and one member shall be chosen for two years.

2) At the second annual meeting hereafter one member shall be chosen for three years.

3) At the third annual meeting hereafter two members shall be chosen for three years.

4) and hereafter at each annual meeting as many members shall be chosen for terms of three years as there are terms expiring.

Article 19. Voted to pass over.

Article 20. Voted to pass over.

Article 21-A. Voted that a committee be appointed to study the requirements and needs of the school building problem in the Town of Boxford, said committee to be known as the School Building Committee, to be comprised of seven members, three of which shall be members of the School Committee, and the remaining four members to be appointed by the Board of Selectmen; the Committee to report to a town meeting not later than June 1, 1960.

Article 21-B. Voted that the sum of $5,000.00 be raised and appropriated for the use of the School Building Committee to be used in the preliminary planning of school building needs

and construction, and for the hiring of an architect to prepare the necessary plans.

Article 22. Voted to authorize the Selectmen to appoint a town recreation area planning committee for the purpose of investigating the possibility of making part of the Boy Scout area suitable for a town swimming and recreation area and to raise and appropriate $500.00 for engineering study for this purpose.

Article 23. Voted to pass over.

Article 24. Voted to pass over.

Article 25. Voted to pass over.

Article 26. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $1300.00 for the purpose of trading the Police ambulance cruiser for a 1960 model.

Article 27. Voted to pass over.

Article 28. Voted to abandon as a public way, Ledge Lane, so-called, or any such part thereof as may now be a public way. The Planning Board approved.

Article 29. Voted not to accept Sayward Road as a public way.

Article 30. Voted unanimously to appropriate the sum of $80,000.00 from free cash for the purpose of establishing a stabilization fund as provided by Section 5B, Chapter 40, General Laws.

Article 31. Voted to pass over.

Article 32. Voted that the Selectmen be authorized to negotiate a lease to the American Legion for certain land owned by the town on Ipswich Road near the entrance to the Lynn Y.M.C.A. camp (Camp Rotary) at the stipulated rate of $1.00 per year for not more than fifty years. The Vote was 71 yes and 41 no by show of hands.

Article 33. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $500.00 for the purchase of two mobile 2-way radios for the Fire Department.

Article 34. Voted unanimously to accept the provisions of Chapter 493 of the Acts of 1959 relative to increasing certain retirement allowances and pensions.

Article 35. Voted unanimously under the provisions of Chapter 513 of the Acts of 1959, to increase the retirement allowances of Harry F. Moore and Xavier F. Petitjean to $1200.00 per annum.

Article 36. Voted to adjourn at 12:30 a.m.

A true record:

Attest:

E. LAURENCE COLBY,

Town Clerk

BUDGET ADOPTED FOR 1960

Selectmen	$ 1,450.00
Board of Public Welfare	300.00
Assessors	2,300.00
Treasurer	650.00
Town Clerk	450.00
Collector of Taxes	2,000.00
Town Accountant	2,000.00
Registrars	300.00
Elections	1,000.00
Planning Board	275.00
Appeal Board	200.00
Building Inspector	900.00
Wire Inspector	750.00
Finance Committee	50.00
Town Counsel	500.00
Board of Health	2,800.00
Inspection of Slaughtering	1,000.00
Inspector of Animals	50.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures	35.00
Dog Officer	70.00
Police	4,100.00
Forest Warden	2,500.00
Fire Warden	2,500.00

Tree Warden	1,400.00
Moth Suppression	1,500.00
Dutch Elm Disease Control	2,000.00
Public Welfare	
Disability Assistance	20,000.00
Aid to Dependent Children	
Old Age Assistance	
Central Essex Welfare	600.00
Veterans' Benefits	2,000.00
School	114,706.34
Vocational Education	300.00
Regional District School	143,276.51
Highways and Bridges, Selectmen's Fund	1,000.00
Chapter 81 — Maintenance	3,000.00
Road Machinery Maintenance	2,000.00
Snow Removal and Sanding	10,000.00
Street Lighting	850.00
Highway Vacation Account	1,000.00
Sick Benefit	200.00
Town Halls	1,700.00
Public Grounds	350.00
Town Forest	200.00
Civil Defense	400.00
Insurance	5,000.00
Memorial Day	300.00
Soldiers' Graves	225.00
Mt. Vernon Cemetery	50.00
Harmony Cemetery	50.00
Boxford Village Cemetery	150.00
Town Reports	800.00
Clerical	500.00
Selectmen's Contingent Fund	500.00
Interest on Maturing Debt	2,200.00
School House Note	7,000.00
Land Damage	950.00
Total Budget	$350,387.85

OTHER ITEMS:

Article 9	$1,100.00	
Article 10	800.00	
Article 12	3,000.00	
Article 14	5,000.00	
Article 21	5,000.00	
Article 22	500.00	
Article 26	1,300.00	
Article 33	500.00	17,200.00
Total to be raised and appropriated		$367,587.85

TRANSFERS:

Article 3	$ 500.00	
Article 4	5,000.00	
Article 8	405.13	
Article 15	31,500.00	
Article 30	80,000.00	
Total Transfers		$117,405.13

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, MAY 31, 1960

A special town meeting of the voters of Boxford was held in the Harry Lee Cole School at 8 P.M. with about 400 attending. After a short prayer by Rev. Ellsworth Comins, the business meeting was conducted by William J. Greenler, Jr., as moderator. Action on the articles of the warrant was as follows:

Article 1. Voted to accept the report of the School Building Committee as read.

Article 2. Voted that School Building Committee be empowered to acquire options on land for school purposes for purchase prices not to exceed $25,000.00 and not to be binding on the town until so voted by town, and to appropriate the sum of $3,000.00 to be spent on acquiring these options.

Article 3. Voted to amend Paragraph 3 of Section VI of the zoning by-law so as to read:

"Manufacturing, except any which by the emission or discharge of fumes, vapor, gas, dust, offensive odors, chemicals, refuse, organic matter or excrement, the causing of noise or vibration or by unduly increasing the risk from fire or explosion or otherwise would be dangerous or injurious to the health or safety of the public, or damaging to the property values of the town, any such use shall be only under special permit of the Board of Appeals, which shall first hold a public hearing after notice."

The vote by hand was 163 yes, 4 no.

Article 4. Voted to amend Paragraph 5, Section VI of the zoning by-law to read:

"Restaurant, inn, motel; under special permit of the Board of Appeals. The Board of Appeals before granting such a permit, shall hold a public hearing."

The vote by hand was 171 yes, 23 no.

Article 5. Voted to amend the zoning by-law by providing that the area enclosed by Route 97, Interstate Route 95, the recently constructed service road, and Ipswich Road be classified as a business and manufacturing district, except for a strip 100 feet deep perpendicularly from the sidelines of Ipswich Road and the service road.

The vote was taken by secret ballot and was 244 yes, 116 no.

Article 6. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,000.00 for the improvement of Middleton Road.

Article 7. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,000.00 for the improvement of Spofford Road.

Article 8. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $15,000.00 for the purchase of a 750-gallon pumping engine for the fire department.

Article 9. Voted to pass over.

Article 10. Voted that a committee be appointed from each of the following organizations; American Legion, Boxford Historical Society, West Boxford Improvement Society, West Boxford and Boxford Granges, each organization to designate

its own member, and a member from the town at large to be named by the Selectmen to have charge and care of the Veterans' Park (mentioned at last Annual Town Meeting) situated at the junction of Willow Road and Washington Street in the West Parish; a suitable marker to be erected, commemorating that 9 sons were born in the Homestead, who volunteered "for the Preservation of the Union," and to make any changes in the park so that it may be of benefit to the public.

Miss Elizabeth Sawyer was granted permission by unanimous consent to speak in behalf of the motion.

Article 11. Voted to raise and appropriate $500.00 for the purpose of installing an oil burner in the furnace at Lincoln Hall.

Article 12. Voted to adjourn at 11:30 p.m.

A true record:

Attest:

E. LAURENCE COLBY

Town Clerk

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, SEPT. 1, 1960

The voters of the Town of Boxford met at the Harry Lee Cole School, Boxford at 8 p.m. on September 1, 1960 with William J. Greenler, Jr., presiding as moderator. After a prayer by Rev. Ellsworth Comins, the following action was taken on the articles of the warrant:

Article 1. Voted unanimously to accept the report of the School Building Committee. Voted that authority of present School Building Committee be continued to engage an architect, and to supervise final plans and construction of a seven room addition to the Harry Lee Cole School.

Mr. Robert Humphreys, a representative of the S. W. Haynes Associates of Fitchburg was given unanimous consent to speak in the meeting, and he described the architectural features of the proposed addition.

Article 2. Voted to appropriate the sum of $10,000.00 from available funds for the payment of the architect's fees and final plans and specifications for an addition of seven classrooms to the Harry Lee Cole School. This was approved by the Finance Committee.

Article 3. Voted to accept with appreciation the gift of $400.00 from the late John W. Parkhurst to be added to the Town School Funds.

Article 4. Voted to accept Carol Road in the Carol Acres development off Topsfield Road as a public way.

Article 5. Voted to accept Cold Spring Drive in the Herrick Woodlands development off Herrick Road as a public way.

Article 6. Voted to adjourn at 9:20 P.M. There were 80 voters present.

A true record:

Attest:

E. LAURENCE COLBY

Town Clerk

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, OCTOBER 26, 1960

The voters of the Town of Boxford met at the Harry Lee Cole School on Ostober 26, 1960 at 8:00 P.M. with 150 members present. After an opening prayer by Rev. Ellsworth Comins, the following action was taken on the articles of the warrant under William J. Greenler, Jr., the Moderator.

Article 1. Voted to accept the report of the School Building Committee.

Article 2. Voted unanimously that the sum of $221,000.00 be hereby appropriated for the purpose of constructing, equipping, and furnishing an addition to the Cole Elementary School, and that, to meet said appropriation, the sum of $80,000.00 be appropriated from the Stabilization Fund, as authorized by the provisions of Chapter 700 of the Acts of 1960, and that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby

is authorized to borrow the sum of $141,000.00 under the provisions of Chapter 645 of the Acts of 1948, as amended, and to issue bonds or notes of the town therefor payable in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws so that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than twenty years from the date of issue of the first bond or note.

Article 3. Voted unanimously to appropriate from available funds in the treasury the sum of $6,000.00 for the purpose of making changes and rearrangements in the existing Cole School building.

Article 4. Voted to authorize the School Building Committee to enter into contracts for the town for the construction, equipping, and furnishing of the proposed addition to the Cole School, and the changes and repairs in the Cole School; and to continue a study of elementary school growth to be reported to the town at some future date.

Article 5. Voted unanimously to amend the agreement for the establishment of the Masconomet Regional School District comprising the towns of Boxford, Middleton and Topsfield as follows:

By striking out subsection IV (D) and inserting in place thereof the following subsection:

IV (D) "**Apportionment of Capital Costs**

Capital costs incurred prior to October 1, 1960 shall be apportioned to the member towns as follows:

To Boxford	19.8%
To Middleton	39.8%
To Topsfield	40.4%

Capital costs incurred on or after October 1, 1960 shall be apportioned by computing the ratio which each member town's enrollment in the regional district school bears to the total pupil enrollment from all the member towns in the regional district school. For this purpose, pupil enrollment of a member town shall mean the number of pupils from each town attending the regional school on October 1 next preceding the date on which the regional district school committee votes to authorize the incurring of such capital costs. In the event that en-

rollment in the regional district school has not been accomplished on October 1 next preceding the date on which the regional district school committee votes to authorize the incurring of such capital costs, capital costs shall be apportioned on the basis of enrollment in grades 7 through 12 of pupils residing in each member town and receiving education at such town's expense on the aforesaid October 1. Debt service accruing at any time on account of capital costs incurred prior to October 1, 1960 shall be apportioned as capital costs incurred prior to October 1, 1960. Debt service on account of any capital cost incurred on or after October 1, 1960 shall be apportioned in accordance with the ratio applicable at the time of the vote to authorize the incurring of such capital cost."

Article 6. Voted unanimously to appropriate from available funds the sum of $850.00 to re-model and equip a police station adjacent to the fire station.

Article 7. Voted unanimously to appropriate from available funds the sum of $1,000.00 to remodel and re-locate the building recently donated by Mr. William Barrell for the purpose of housing the new fire truck.

Article 8. Voted to appropriate from available funds the sum of $875.00 to celebrate the 275th anniversary of the town's incorporation and to authorize the selectmen to expend a part thereof for the procurement of anniversary plates for sale in connection with such celebration, the cost of the plates to be reimbursed to the town out of the proceeds of said sale.

Article 9. Voted unanimously to transfer the sum of $150.00 from the Insurance Account to the Civil Defense Account.

Article 10. Voted to establish a permanent Recreational Committee to be appointed by the Selectmen and to be five in number to oversee the recreational needs of the town, and to recommend development of recreational areas as the need arises, and to be responsible for the care, maintenance, and operation of any such areas. The term of office to be three years, the first appointment to be one committeeman for one year, two committeemen for two years, and two committeemen for three years.

Voted to terminate the temporary study committee and to transfer the balance of the study funds for use by the permanent committee.

Article 11. Voted to acquire by deed or lease a portion of the Boy Scout area, so-called, for use as a town recreational area. A hand vote showed 60 for, 40 opposed.

Article 12. Voted to adjourn at 11:00 P.M.

A true record:

Attest:

E. LAURENCE COLBY

Town Clerk

BIRTHS RECORDED IN 1960 IN BOXFORD

Date	Name	Parents
1959		
Aug. 30	— Linda Christine Christian	Bobby W. Christian Margaret Driscoll
Nov. 24	— Emily Peabody Marsh	John P. Marsh Althine Raymond
Dec. 31	— Carrie Louise Jacobs	Charles Jacobs, Jr. Mary Louise Ellis
1960		
Jan. 1	— Christopher Coffin Perry	Lindsey R. Perry Barbara L. Coffin
Jan. 6	— James Davidson Comins	Ellsworth D. Comins Norma J. Wilson
Jan. 8	— Cheryl Elaine Parkhurst	Robert B. Parkhurst Arlene N. Parkinson
Jan. 14	— William Johnson Roberts	Herbert Alfred Roberts Sally Johnson
Jan. 29	— Amy Joy Saunders	Brian H. Saunders Helen Ordinetz

Feb. 3	Timothy Paul McLaughlin	Daniel P. McLaughlin Helen F. Greenler
Feb. 5	David Anthony Chooljian	Aram E. Chooljian Anthonette Moronis
Mar. 1	Leslie Ann Comeau	Leslin W. Comeau Lorna McLellan
Mar. 8	Peter David Bedrosian	Peter Bedrosian Jean Baghdadlian
Mar. 26	Steven James Bunker	James Francis Bunker Geraldine A. Johnson
Mar. 31	Daryl Ann Waters	David S. Waters Dorothy E. Chase
Apr. 3	Jennifer Susan Daly	James R. Daly, Jr. Claudette D. M. Roy
Apr. 8	Sarah Lawrence Stickney	Arthur E. Stickney Phyllis J. Krantz
Apr. 21	Roy Winfield Trafton	Roy J. Trafton Ella J. Lovejoy
May 27	David Winfield Balevre	Frank F. Balevre Barbara L. Mouncey
May 29	Ann Rose Barry	Roger W. Barry Louise M. Mahoney
June 11	Caryn Gail Bartlett	David B. Bartlett Nancy Shillington
June 12	Brian Keith Fulton	Robert O. Fulton Shirley J. Palm
June 15	Heidi Anne Walsh	Robert R. Walsh Barbara L. Perkins
June 15	David Francis Thomson, III	David F. Thomson, Jr. Catherine I. Berry
July 11	Infant Lee	Richard A. Lee Thorne E. Bateman
July 11	Ranee Leah Duncan	Stewart Duncan Indrani Amereskere
July 21	Tracey Ellen Nangle	Leonard J. Nangle Gloria B. Richer
July 29	Lisa Ann Smith	Robert D. Smith Mary Lee Koen

July 30	Gina Toma Esile	Frank J. Esile Joan A. Darley
Aug. 10	Gregory Bearse Bolton	Archer L. Bolton, Jr. Barbara Bearse
Aug. 23	David Robert Mayberry	John A. Mayberry Marilyn L. Maudlin
Aug. 23	James Damon Brockelman	Webster B. Brockelman Marcia Damon
Sept. 14	Sarah Beth Stoddard	John L. Stoddard Phyllis A. Burns
Sept. 19	Suzanne Ruth O'Brien	Paul J. O'Brien Miriam H. Flanagan
Oct. 30	Miribeth Linnea Wood	Albert D. Wood Charlotte Brainard
Nov. 22	Bryan McLean Flynn	Raymond M. Flynn Judith Evans
Nov. 23	Andrew William Evans	John Evans Martina Irby
Nov. 23	John Farrell Berg	John F. Berg Dorothy E. Moylan
Nov. 24	Thomas Ingalls Price	Alexander G. Price Susan B. Manley
Dec. 8	Jeffrey Keith Miller	Martin A. Miller Ann Kalchoff

MARRIAGES RECORDED DURING 1960

Date	Names	Residence
Jan. 2	Mason Wilson, Jr.	Woods Hole
	Barbara Prue Sherrill	Boxford
Mar. 19	Conrad H. Malicoat	Provincetown
	Anne Lord	Boxford
Apr. 30	Robert Dennis Law	Boston
	Constance Chadwick	West Boxford
May 1	Richard Robert Murray	Georgetown
	Alice Fowler	West Boxford
May 2	Arthur Louis Page, Jr.	West Boxford
	Marjorie A. Dusonbre	Haverhill

May 14 —	Warren Kaspar Kolhonen	Peabody
	Cynthia Ann French	Boxford
May 29 —	George A. Herman	Boxford
	Lorraine E. Poor	Reading
July 15 —	Stuart Allan Troop	Boxford
	Alice V. Lovell	West Dennis
July 29 —	Richard Daniel Nickerson	Reading
	Alice Marie Jones	North Reading
July 31 —	Alfred Elliott Bissell, Jr.	Ashland
	Linda Norma Smith	West Boxford
Aug. 27 —	Charles Peter Nelson	Boxford
	Betsy Ames Atwood	Boxford
Sept. 30 —	Robert Charles Richardson	West Boxford
	Brenda May Spofford	West Boxford
Oct. 8 —	Joseph F. Lajoie	North Andover
	Frances Lee Brown	North Andover
Nov. 20 —	James William Gemmell	West Boxford
	Josephine Clair Collins	Andover
Dec. 11 —	Arthur Barkev Mazmanian	Hudson
	Irene May Boyle	Lynnfield

DEATHS RECORDED DURING 1960

Date	Name	Age Yrs.	M.	D.
1959				
Sept. 26 —	Robert Livermore	83	—	15
Oct. 20 —	Alexander McMorran	68	7	11
1960				
Feb. 16 —	Alma S. Anderson	64	4	7
Feb. 20 —	Daniel J. Fahey	68	4	24
Mar. 25 —	Agnes Chew (Bassnet)	80	2	27
Apr. 14 —	Florence E. (Tasker) Johnson	83	10	9
Apr. 24 —	William R. Walsh	62	8	21
May 16 —	Ralph H. Sherman, Jr.	23	1	19
June 10 —	Franklin C. Roberts	66	10	23
July 11 —	(Infant) Lee	—	—	—
July 18 —	Joseph Alfred Bourdelais	74	—	—

Aug. 12 — Joseph Burgson	73	6	20
Aug. 21 — Abigail M. Laing	92	5	7
Aug. 26 — Winnifred M. Amero	72	1	5
Sept 20 — Leila Lambert	10	8	29
Sept. 21 — Herbert Fieldhouse	75	10	10
Oct. 9 — Bertha S. Inch (Mitchell)	79	1	7
Oct. 13 — Ida Florence Plummer	89	10	2
Nov. 14 — Margaret Campbell	91	3	29
Nov. 21 — Charles Rogerson Haynes	78	—	—

FISH AND GAME LICENSES ISSUED IN 1960

90 Citizen Fishing at $4.25	$382.50
59 Citizen Hunting at $4.25	235.75
38 Citizen Sporting at $7.25	275.50
14 Minor Fishing at $2.25	31.50
11 Female Fishing at $3.25	35.75
1 Citizen Trapping at $7.75	7.75
1 Non-Resident Fishing at $8.75	8.75
2 Duplicate at $ .50	1.00
2 Sporting (Free)	
4 Deer Archery Stamps at $1.10	4.40
	$982.90
Less fees to Town Clerk	53.90
Remitted to Fish and Game Div.	$929.00

DOG LICENSES ISSUED IN 1960

122 Males at $2.00	$244.00
12 Females at $5.00	60.00
70 Spayed Females at $2.00	140.00
7 Kennels at $10.00	70.00
4 Kennels at $25.00	100.00
	$614.00
Less fees Town Clerk	53.75
Remitted Town Treasurer	$560.25

REPORT OF BOARD OF ASSESSORS

No. of Persons Assessed	Indiv.	Others	Total
On Personal Estate Only	7	2	9
On Real Estate Only	1,057	27	1,084
On Both Personal and Real Estate	138	4	142
Total Number of Persons Assessed			1,235
Number of Polls Assessed			547

Value of Assessed Personal Estate:		
Stock in Trade	$5,205.00	
Machinery	2,300.00	
Live Stock	6,628.00	
All Other Tangible Personal Property	334,055.00	
Total Value of Assessed Personal Property		$348,188.00
Value of Assessed Real Estate:		
Land Exclusive of Buildings	$550,830.00	
Buildings Exclusive of Land	2,717,535.00	
Total Value of Assessed Real Estate		$3,268,365.00
Total Valuation of Assessed Estate		$3,616,553.00
Tax Rate per $1,000 = $94.00		
Taxes for State, County and Town Purposes, including Overlay:		
On Personal Estate	$32,729.67	
On Real Estate	307,226.31	
On Polls	1,094.00	
Total Taxes Assessed		$341,049.98

Number of Live Stock Assessed:	
Horses (1 year old, or over)	39
Neat Cattle (1 year old, or over)	
Cows (Milch)	86
Yearlings: steers	2

Swine (6 months old or over)	475	
Sheep (6 months old or over)	41	
Fowl	27,362	
All Other: Mink — 250 Ponies — 3 Goat — 1		
Number of Acres of Land Assessed		14,189
Number of Dwelling Houses Assessed		586
Commissioner's Value of Motor Vehicles		$728,420.00
Tax on Motor Vehicles Assessed		45,573.61
Number of Motor Vehicles Assessed		1,162

Motor Vehicle Excise Rate = $66.96

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY E. TRASK
J. WARREN CHADWICK
HARRY L. COLE
Board of Assessors

REPORT OF THE COLLECTOR OF TAXES

TAXES — 1957

Uncollected Jan. 1, 1960	$333.83	
Interest collected	28.29	
Taxes Collected:		
Real Estate		$333.83
Interest		28.29
	$362.12	$362.12

TAXES — 1958

Uncollected — Jan. 1, 1960	$3,037.01	
Interest and costs collected	144.54	
Taxes Collected:		
Poll		$14.00
Real Estate		2,536.78
Personal		164.60
Classified Forest Land		27.54
Farm Animal Excise		32.15

Motor Vehicle Excise		148.36
Interest and costs		144.54
Abatements:		
Poll		8.00
Real Estate		34.00
Motor Vehicle Excise		66.27
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1960		5.31
	$3,181.55	$3,181.55

TAXES — 1959

Uncollected Jan. 1, 1960	$22,573.85	
Motor Vehicle Excise Commitments	3,923.65	
Motor Vehicle Excise Refunds	671.57	
Real Estate Refund	13.50	
Interest Collected	313.27	
Taxes Collected:		
Poll		$68.00
Real Estate		14,224.48
Personal Property		1,145.57
Classified Forest Land		5.48
Farm Animal Excise		110.30
Motor Vehicle Excise		8,589.15
Interest		313.27
Abatements:		
Poll		6.00
Real Estate		36.50
Motor Vehicle Excise		1,091.51
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1960		1,905.58
	$27,495.84	$27,495.84

TAXES — 1960

Poll Tax Commitment	$1,094.00	
Real Estate Commitments	307,226.31	
Personal Property Commitment	32,729.67	
Classified Forest Land Commitment	147.11	
Farm Animal Excise Commitment	217.18	
Motor Vehicle Excise Commitments	45,573.61	
Real Estate Refunds	394.80	

Motor Vehicle Excise Refunds	916.34	
Interest Collected	72.06	
Taxes Collected:		
Poll		$942.00
Real Estate		281,559.02
Personal Property		31,224.26
Classified Forest Land		116.09
Farm Animal Excise		191.30
Motor Vehicle Excise		33,965.99
Interest		72.06
Abatements:		
Poll		80.00
Real Estate		6,148.07
Personal Property		70.50
Motor Vehicle Excise		3,024.56
Transferred to Tax Title Account		326.18
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1960		30,651.05
	$388,371.08	$388,371.08

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT SNOW REMOVAL

Uncollected Jan. 1, 1960	$434.25	
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1960		$434.25
	$434.25	$434.25

RECAPITULATION

Total Receipts from Taxes:	
Real Estate	$298,654.11
Personal Property	32,534.43
Poll	1,024.00
Classified Forest Land	149.11
Farm Animal Excise	333.75
Motor Vehicle Excise	42,736.72
Interest and Costs	563.29
	$375,995.41

Respectfully,

SIMEON S. PEARL,
Collector

BOXFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY

East Parish

OFFICERS AND TRUSTEES

Winthrop P. Haynes, President
Milton E. Lord, Vice-President
Charles J. Kittredge, Jr., Treasurer
Esther K. Perley, Secretary

Ellsworth D. Comins, Jr.
Margaret Lane
Seth L. Kelsey
Robert B. Parkhurst

LIBRARIANS

Bertha Perley
Lucy K. Parkhurst

LIBRARY HOURS

Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday afternoons, 2:30 - 5:30

With a greater number of borrowers the total circulation shows an increase of 806 books over last year making a total of 8,621 books. Magazine circulation increased from 996 to 1,062. This does not include the use of the 150 books deposited in the Cole School.

185 books were added to the library, 159 by purchase, and 26 by gift. Also at the end of the year a set of **The Encyclopedia Americana** was added bringing the total to 210 books. A start has been made on weeding out old and worn books.

On June 10th the library suffered a deep loss in the death of Professor Franklin C. Roberts, Sr., a trustee since 1941. His wise judgment and his many contributions to the running of the library will be greatly missed.

That the State Reading Program was again a success this year was due to the interest in it shown by the teachers who co-operated with the library in encouraging the children to read their books and make out their book reports. 142 five-book certificates and 30 Honor certificates were awarded to children in the Cole School, most of whom were sixth graders.

The celebration of National Library Week in the spring took three directions this year, a poster contest, special story hours at the Cole School with Mrs. Henry Berry and Miss Margaret Lane as the story-tellers, and the formation of the FRIENDS OF THE BOXFORD LIBRARY of which there are now 48 individual members and 28 family members. Some of these FRIENDS, and others, have assisted the librarians each week in making the routine of the library run smoothly thus freeing the librarians for work with individual borrowers.

The Bookmobile has continued its service this year, and will be carried on another year since the Federal Library Bill was renewed. For this we are all grateful, for we appreciate the resources made available to us.

This year the Massachusetts State Bill for Aid to Libraries was passed on November 3rd. This provides for two main areas of service, — a direct grant in aid of 25 cents per capita to qualifying libraries, and the establishment of regional libraries which will serve their areas. Boxford qualifies for the direct grant.

Gifts to the amount of $550 have been received, as well as many hours of volunteer service, and 26 individual books. The Librarians and Trustees wish to express their appreciation to all who have helped the library in any way this year.

Respectfully submitted,

BERTHA PERLEY,
Librarian

WEST BOXFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY

West Boxford

OFFICERS

Mrs. Alexander Price, President
A. Gordon Price, Vice-President
Miss Ruby F. Nason, Secretary
Mrs. Richard Spofford, Treasurer

TRUSTEES

Mrs. Alexander Price, Chairman

E. Laurence Colby Rolfe Y. Peterson

The library is open to the public Wednesday and Saturday 3-5 and 7-9 P.M.

Library records show a substantial increase in the number of borrowers during the year; the number registered was 311, an increase of 85 over last year. Many others used the library, most of whom were younger children up to the third grade.

The circulation of books totaled 5,401 and was as follows:

Fiction	2,010
Non-fiction	1,527
Juvenile	1,864

227 books were added to the collection; 158 were purchased and 69 were gifts.

Book deposits were made to the schools on several occasions. At the end of the school year, to the fifth and sixth grades, 27 State Reading Certificates were awarded, 16 of which were honor certificates.

Books borrowed from the State Regional bookmobile were most helpful in supplementing the library collection. Many titles of popular fiction and timely non-fiction obtained in this way gave to our readers a greater selection of material from which to choose.

Our magazines continue to be popular for current reading interest and reference material.

The Library Thrift Shop contributed to the library $264.66 for purchase of books, plastic book covers, and printed catalog cards. This substantial contribution was made possible by the generosity of the townspeople who gave time and merchandise to the shop.

To all those who assisted the library in any way during the year, the Library Association is very grateful.

Respectfully submitted,

ISABEL ROUNDS,
Librarian

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

January 1, 1961

Board of Selectmen, Boxford, Mass.
Gentlemen:

As Inspector of Animals in the Town of Boxford for the year 1960, I submit the following report:

Number of places inspected	13
Number of bovine animals	115
Number of sheep	86
Number of horses	6

This has been done according to direction of the Massachusetts Division of Live Stock Disease Control.

Respectfully,
WILLIAM J. GREENLER, D.V.M.,
Inspector of Animals

REPORT OF THE DOG OFFICER

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Boxford

Have taken care of all complaints of dogs being a nuisance, also the few stray dogs picked up have been disposed of.

All money collected has been turned over to the Town Clerk.

As usual there are a few uncollected licenses.

Respectfully submitted,
JAMES P. GRAY,
Dog Officer

REPORT OF THE WIRE INSPECTOR

Report for the year 1960:

Permits 179
Inspections 393

Respectfully submitted,
HERBERT W. SPERRY,
Wire Inspector

REPORT OF THE BUILDING INSPECTOR

Total permits issued for the year 1960:

	Number	Value
New houses and garages	51	$819,300.00
Sheds, porches and garages	12	16,550.00
Additions, 1 Insurance office, 1 Gift shop	6	16,270.00
Gravel	1	
Trailer	1	
TOTAL	71	$852,120.00

This is 8 houses less than 1959, a total of about $200,000.00 less in construction.

Respectfully submitted,
HENRY W. NASON,
Building Inspector

REPORT OF THE SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Board of Selectmen
Town of Boxford
Gentlemen:

During the year I have tested and sealed the following weights and measures:

Platform Scales	5
Beam Scales	1
Computing Scales	3
Spring Scales	8
Balance Scales	1
Gasoline Meters	4
Grease Pumps	1
Steel Tapes	1

Respectfully submitted,
CHESTER A. LEIGHTON,
Sealer of Weights and Measures

REPORT OF THE INSPECTORS OF SLAUGHTERING FOR THE YEAR 1960

EXAMINED			CONDEMNED		
Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Cattle	Calves	Sheep
275	1801	163	29	84	5

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. FOSTER
CLINTON B. NASON
Inspectors of Slaughtering

MOTH DEPARTMENT

The Gypsy Moth and Browntail Moths have been kept well under control this year. A successful spraying program was carried out along all the roads in all sections of the town.

Respectfully,

ALERSON E. NOYES,
Moth Superintendent

TREE DEPARTMENT

We had quite a windstorm at East Boxford around the Kelsey Nursery section, also at the Lakeshore Road section in West Boxford. There was severe damage done to the trees.

Respectfully,

ALERSON E. NOYES,
Tree Warden

DUTCH ELM DISEASE DEPARTMENT

An extensive program to combat the Elm Disease was carried out this year. With the aid of the State Moth Superintendent and crew, samples were taken and sent into the State Laboratory at Amherst. The diseased trees were topped and removed.

Respectfully,

ALERSON E. NOYES,
Moth Superintendent

REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Since their appointment by the Selectmen, following approval at Town Meeting in March, the members have attended Conservation meetings arranged by State Commissioner Charles W. Foster of the Department of Natural Resources and have received much material from his office for the guidance of Town Conservation Commissions. Members have also attended meetings on Conservation subjects sponsored by the Massachusetts Audubon Society.

Owing to the unavoidable absence of some members on trips during the year only a preliminary analysis of the various Conservation projects has been undertaken. This work included outlining meadow marshland and swampy areas and watersheds with the object of safeguarding the water supply.

At present a study of possible recreation sites and woodland areas is in progress, also the selection of Historic Areas and buildings which should be preserved. In this work members have been working in co-operation with the various Town Committees and the Boxford Historical Society.

Mr. Charles W. Eliot, 2nd, adviser to the Planning Board on the Town Master Plan, has been most helpful in guiding the Commission in its program plans.

Respectfully submitted,

WINTHROP P. HAYNES, Chairman
SETH L. KELSEY
(Mrs.) MARIE PINKHAM
STUART K. HARRIS
STEPHEN J. MADDOCK, JR.
Conservation Commission

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

January 9, 1961

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Boxford
Boxford, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

The following is a report of the Police Department activities for the year 1960:

Classified	
Fatal accidents	1
Police service calls	19
Motor vehicle accidents	38
Arrests	9
Accidental Shooting	1
Complaints various	58
Court appearances	22
Ambulance calls	25
Stolen vehicles recovered	9
Bomb threats	3
Summons	55
House breaks	5
Fires	3
Larceny complaints	8
Pistol permits	16
Assault and battery	2
Malicious damage	8
Resuscitator calls	3
Missing persons	2
Suicide	1
Hunting	2

More frequent camp inspections were maintained throughout the year, and complaints from owners were at a minimum.

Our police cruiser was demolished in May, while on weekend patrol. Fortunately, the officers involved in the four-car accident received no serious injuries. A new vehicle, purchase

of which had been approved at the annual town meeting, was put into service as soon as possible.

The police office is now under construction, and should be ready for occupancy by the first of February, 1961. Routine paper work, gun permits, and a majority of police matters can be transacted with a greater degree of efficiency and privacy with these new facilities.

Special police duties at the Masconomet Regional High School are still under the control of this department, with Topsfield supplying one-half of the manpower. Officers have been on duty at all athletic events and social activities taking place at the school.

I wish to extend my thanks to the Board of Selectmen, Fire Department and all other town officers for their courtesy and cooperation on behalf of the entire Police Department during the past year.

Respectfully,

NATHANIEL N. LOVE, JR.,

Chief of Police

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board has carried on its regular duties during the past year to review proposed subdivisions and advise on zoning actions. Primary attention has been devoted to the inauguration and beginning of work on a Master Plan for Boxford. The Town Meeting approved a change in zoning to provide for a possible motel southwest of the Kilham Hill Road Interchange with Interstate 97, and voted to proceed with the preparation of a Master Plan.

Progress Report
Master Plan for Boxford
Introduction

A "Master Plan" is, in one sense, a **picture** of how the Town might look twenty or twenty-five years hence. It is a huge pic-

ture;— in the case of Boxford 10½ miles long and 4½ miles wide,— with an even larger background reflecting the influence of Metropolitan Boston and the Merrimack Valley Cities. The colors in the picture represent the uses of land in forests, pastures, and swamps, and for different purposes of residence, business, industry, agriculture, recreation, conservation, etc. With the passage of time and inevitable change, all of these colors or land uses change. The design or structure in this picture reflects the economic functioning of the community and the forces of transportation and communication which play upon it.

A Master Plan is not only a picture of the objective but also a **guide** for actions, large and small, by private and public agencies, which cumulatively may either mar or ruin the picture or bring it to reality.

It follows, therefore, that in so far as possible the Master Plan in both these aspects should reflect the hopes and desires of the citizens of the Town for the future of the area. What kind of community, what kind of picture of Boxford in 1980 or 1985 do the people of Boxford want?

There seems to be no doubt that the overwhelming majority of the voters like the Town as it is today. The old-timers stay because they like it and the newcomers came because they were attracted by certain characteristics and qualities of the area and its people. If the picture of 1985 is to show Boxford with those characteristics and qualities continued and enhanced, the first step is to identify them. Then each item can be examined to see how economic forces, technological progress, social and political trends and other changing conditions affect the future of a particular characteristic.

Characteristics and Qualities

The Planning Board has attempted this task and suggests the following characteristics or qualities in Boxford as those which it feels the citizens wish to see continued and enhanced, in so far as possible, in the future:

1. **Rural** character, in marked contrast to urban and suburban conditions. This means predominant woodland and open fields, with residences widely separated and inconspicuous,

except of course in the two villages. The requirements for large house lots can keep the spacing of residences on a generous scale.

a. **Woodlands** naturally take over abandoned fields and farms and may have an economic justification if appropriate forest practices are followed.

b. **Swamps and ponds** cover about fifteen percent of the total area of the Town, and are the natural reservoirs at the headwaters of streams which flow into the Ipswich River on the south or to the Parker River on the north. The dependence of residents on shallow wells for water supply makes the preservation of these wetlands particularly important.

c. **Farms and Fields** are noticeably shrinking. Good hay land retains a high value but commercial farming operations in dairy, poultry or crops have been using less and less acreage over the past 100 years and are now confined to the northern part of the Town. Part-time farming on smaller tracts and "gentleman" farming without concern for profits may continue for many years if tax pressures can be reduced or kept from rising.

To maintain the rural character of Boxford major emphasis must be placed on the Preservation of Open Spaces, — both private and public, — and in this cause a variety of methods and some novel procedures are proposed in the Preliminary General Plan. The economics of open space preservation and the effect of various methods on the tax rate are the primary considerations.

2. **Country Roads** are characteristic features of Boxford, with narrow or non-existent paving, alignment closely adjusted to the topography with consequent curves to avoid swampy ground or ledge outcrops, and an "intimate" quality dependent on the trees, bushes and wild flowers growing close to the roadway. The low stone walls and avoidance of high fences provide a kind of unity between the roads and the countryside, rather than separation.

As population increases and the number of automobiles per family continues to climb, the pressure for wider and

straighter roads will jeopardize the continuance of these characteristics of the existing country roads of Boxford. Standards established by the State and County for maintenance and Chapter 90 assistance will put on additional pressure for "modernizing" the highways. To preserve something of the quality of the country roads it may be desirable to open new highways, built on modern standards, to carry the main volume of traffic and relieve the existing roads of all but the service of the homes and activities along their ways. Part of the costs of such new streets might be borne by the subdividers of properties through which they pass, but the costs to the taxpayers must be weighed against the value of continuing the country roads with their present character.

3. **The Villages of Boxford and West Boxford** are rare and near perfect examples of two kinds of the old New England Village — the Village Street and the Cross-Roads Village. At Boxford Center, the broad, tree shaded street, the common, church, old houses, town hall and single country store provide all the aspects of the "sleepy, country village." Can and should that quality be continued?
   a. **Historic Districts.** If it is desired to keep Boxford Center much in its present character the Town may wish to take advantage of the authority provided by the recent Historic District Act and establish an Historic District for the area.

      In West Boxford, the special character of the village is more dispersed and harder to define, but some of the same problems arise as to the future.

      Howe Village — Among the earliest settlement, — on Route 97 at the Topsfield line may also deserve protection as an Historic District.
   b. **By-passing** through traffic around both villages is essential to their preservation.
   c. **Commercial** development. The two existing general stores at the two villages will soon be inadequate in their present state to serve the growing population with "convenience shopping." Should they be expanded or rebuilt

in their present locations or should other sites be developed for business? If the village characteristics of the two centers are to be preserved, the answer is to find new sites either on the fringes of the existing villages or in new locations dictated by accessibility to areas of residential growth. These and other Alternative locations for different kinds of business will be further explored as the Master Plan is developed.

d. **Additional villages** or nuclei of development. The early settlements in the Boxford area were naturally located on the best agricultural soils at Boxford Center and West Boxford. In recent years, with the freedom of movement provided by the automobile, subdivisions and new houses have been located all over the town. Since water is easily obtained almost anywhere there has been no compulsion to build close to an area with public water supply, — and there is no water supply service in Boxford anyway. All the old expectations of growth around the earlier established centers no longer hold. The question thus arises as to what pattern of future development is desirable.

If it is decided to try to keep the general existing character of one or both the villages of Boxford Center and West Boxford, consideration might well be given to encouragement of new centers or nuclei for development. There is no doubt but that general scattering of development is expensive in terms of governmental costs for road maintenance, snow plowing, school bus, police and fire protection. New centers could be focal points for new residential developments.

For Preparation of the Master Plan

In accordance with the vote of the Town Meeting on March 7th, 1960, the Planning Board applied for Planning Services through the Massachusetts Department of Commerce with Federal Aid. The application was successful and on June 10th, 1960 a contract for professional planning services was entered upon by the Department of Commerce for preparation of a Master Plan for Boxford by the consultant of our choice —

Charles W. Eliot. Mr. Eliot has been at work on the collection of data and, in conferences with our Board, on a Preliminary General Plan.

The Maps and Charts prepared by the Planning Consultant now include:

1. **Base Map.** An enlargement of the U. S. Geological Survey Sheets to scale of 1 inch = 1000 feet has produced a map covering the Town of Boxford and adjoining areas. The new map has been titled and extraneous lines and figures removed, and so far as they have been available all subdivisions since the orginal map have been plotted, as well as new buildings disclosed by the Land Use Survey.

   As additional data becomes available further corrections and additions are being made.

2. **Existing Land Uses.** On a print of the Base Map, the information collected by a series of road by road inspection trips has been plotted in color, together with data on wooded or open farm areas from the U.S.G.S. sheets and air pictures. Every travelable road — (and some not so travelable) has been covered on these inspection trips with notations on the map of the location and uses of buildings and lands. These data are being reviewed and added to or corrected as further information becomes available.

3. **Properties, in Color,** — There are no assessors maps, so it has been necessary to plot major holdings and subdivisions from separate surveys. The work being done on an "Assessors Map" by Mr. Robert B. Parkhurst is not yet sufficiently advanced to provide an overall base-map for Boxford. Mr. Parkhurst and others have kindly made available surveys of properties within the Town.

4. **Soils, In color,** — from data and conferences at Essex County Agricultural School, generalized and adjusted to 1000 scale.

5. **Wet and Steep Areas,** showing steep slopes and swamps, in color, — as a step towards determining areas "unsuitable for development."

6. **Historical** — compiled from Perley's History and Parkhurst's research on roads.

7. Regional Considerations, showing relation to Metropolitan Boston and the Merrimack River Cities, etc.
8. U.S.G.S. maps 1"= 2000' for region showing relationships with surrounding towns.
9. Special study maps of Boxford Center at 400 scale.
10. Chart of Population growth.

These graphic materials and accompanying statistical data provide a background for the Preliminary General Plan.

Preliminary General Plan

A Preliminary General Plan for Boxford has been developed from the survey data assembled for the Planning Board and from discussions by the Planning Board over the past six months. It is presented now in two parts:
1. Preservation of Existing Qualities and II. Development Policies, — for review, comment and suggestions by citizens and property owners in order that their views may be given consideration in the development of this Preliminary General Plan into the "Master Plan" for the Town of Boxford.

Preservation of Existing Qualities

In the first section of this report, the Planning Board identified a series of "Characteristics and Qualities" which it believes the voters of Boxford will wish to preserve.

A. The **Rural Character** of the area is the first item in that series. To preserve as much as possible of that Rural Character, the Preliminary General Plan proposes:

1. Maintenance of the present zoning requirements of **large house lots** to keep the spacing of residences on a generous scale. The two acre minimum lot size and 250 foot minimum frontage for all new lots should be continued in all parts of the Town except for commercial and possible industrial developments. In all cases a front yard or set back of at least 50 feet from the outside limits of proposed rights of way should be required.
2. These provisions might well be strengthened by requiring that at least one half of the two acres should be "buildable" land, — that is, that **swamps and very steep slopes shall not be counted for more than one half of the required**

two acres. Such a requirement for new lots would avoid some of the problems which have compelled the Board of Health to refuse permission for a well and septic tank on inadequately drained lots.

3. **Preservation of the swamps and flood plains** by establishment in the Zoning By-Law of a Conservancy District applicable to all wetlands, and in which no filling, no drainage and no permanent buildings will be permitted. These restrictions are fully justified by the hazards of flooding and for protection of the water supplies of the townspeople. As part of these provisions, or in relation with them, encroachments on water courses and streams or interference with natural drainage should be controlled.

4. **Reservation of open spaces** to safeguard the continuance of the present uses and natural character of open or generally undeveloped lands, through:

   a. **Zoning** by establishment of an "O" zone or "official" or Open Space District in which any building or development or change in use would be subject to special procedures and requirements. These requirements should apply to all properties which are tax exempt and might apply to areas proposed for reservation or public use as parks, conservation, or recreation areas or school sites, etc.

   b. **Acquisition of rights-in-land,** conservation easements or restrictions to provide for ownership by public agencies or private trusts of particular attributes of the land, but leaving the basic title, privacy and responsibility for maintenance and taxes in the private owner of the property.

   c. **Acquisition of fee title** by public or semi-public "Trustee" agencies for public use by gift, devise, purchase or eminent domain. The Preliminary General Plan proposes actions by agencies of the State and of the Town or by "Trustee" organizations like the Trustees of Reservations, Audubon Society or a local "Private Trust" to:

Primarily State Responsibility

1) consolidate and round out the boundaries of the Boxford Wild Life Reservation, Boxford State Forest and Harold Parker State Forest — House Bill 759, now pending in the Massachusetts General Court.
2) Similar consolidation and additions to the Georgetown, Rowley and Willowdale State Forests on the northeast side of Boxford.
3) Banks of the Ipswich River — as part of the Bay Circuit — in cooperation with Topsfield and Middleton.

Primarily Local and Private Responsibility

4) Stream banks along the main stems of **Fish Brook** and **Pye Brook** (partly in cooperation with Topsfield); and along Hasseltine's Brook, including Fowler's Pond and the Parker River to Georgetown.
5) Consolidation of the Town Forest with connections to Chadwick Pond on the north and to Johnsons Pond on the east.
6) A strip of Open Space from the swamps around Spoffords Pond to the proposed school site, the Town Dump, the swamp on its east side and the shores of Baldpate Pond to the Penn Brook at the Georgetown line.
7) The ancient "Training Field" (French Property) adjoining the Cole School in Boxford Center.
8) Parts of the drumlin hills such as Jobs Hill, Long Hill, Bayns and Shaven Crown Hills.

In many cases a combination of zoning, rights in land, and fee title will be desirable, with fee ownership applied primarily where public use of the area is the chief purpose.

The Woodlands and Farms of Boxford are under constant pressure from taxes and from offers by real estate developers. Some relief from these pressures might be found in more extensive use of the procedures for "Classified Forest Land"; or, if the General Court acts favorably on the bill #850, for Classified Open Land.

B. **The Country Roads,** with their "intimate" character, can be maintained only by providing other routes to carry the main volume of anticipated future traffic. Widening and straightening of existing roads to "modern" standards will inevitably destroy their quality as "Country Roads."

A number of proposals for new roads are shown on the Preliminary General Plan. As suggested previously, some of these new routes, like the by-passes for Route 133 north of West Boxford Village or for the Lawrence-Topsfield By-pass south of Boxford Center, might qualify for substantial State Aid. Others might be provided as properties are subdivided. In either event the existence of a guide plan showing needed future through routes can assist both the owners of the properties involved and the Town Officials in planning and review of projects.

C. **The Villages of Boxford Center and West Boxford —** and possibly Howe Village — can be maintained with much of their present quality and character through establishment of Historic Districts under the provisions of Chapter 372 of the Acts of 1960.

1. **The Historic District** act sets up procedures similar to those for zoning to create Historic Districts with an Historic District Commission analagous to the Board of Appeals. After a Town establishes an Historic District all applications for permits to change the **exterior appearance** of structures or their demolition in the District are subject to review by the Historic District Commission and the granting of a "Certificate of Appropriateness." These restrictions are in addition to the usual zoning regulations concerning use, height, and area.

The Planning Board has recommended to the Selectmen the appointment of the required Historic District Study Committee in order to initiate the steps to establish Historic Districts in Boxford and thus provide for the protection of some of the special qualities of the Villages of Boxford Center and West Boxford.

2. **By-passing traffic** around the villages and proposed Historic Districts is a major purpose of the future roads shown on the Preliminary General Plan.

3. The old-style **"Country Stores"** of the two villages are important features in the character of those areas, and their continuance in that "style" is much desired. Inevitable pressures for expansion as population grows will jeopardize that continuance, unless other means of providing essential shopping services are found. The Preliminary General Plan suggests new locations for new shopping facilities (possibly under the same management as the existing General Stores) outside the proposed Historic Districts.

D. **Residential Character.** In order to prevent uniformity in the appearance of groups of new homes several communities across the nation have included provisions in their Zoning By-laws to prevent identical or too-similar designs for residential buildings in a single neighborhood. The Planning Board believes this type of control may be desired in Boxford and will make recommendation accordingly.

II. Development Policies

Subdivision and building activity in Boxford in recent years has been widely scattered according to where land might become available or on the initiative of a particular land owner. Scatter has the merit of making these new buildings and subdivisions less noticeable as intrusions on the general rural character of the Town, but requires more public services of road plowing, longer bus routes, etc., and imposes difficulties for fire fighting and police protection. Both for the economy of such services and because of the natural tendencies to develops flat areas near major transportation lines it is proposed on the Preliminary General Plan to encourage further residential growth in Development Areas,— in the eastern part of town in relation to the three interchanges on Interstate Highway 95 and in the western section around West Boxford Village. Several subdivisions are under consideration by the Planning Board at this time.

A. **Development Areas** might include:

1. **Boxford Highlands.** The vicinity of the Kelsey Nursery and the interchange of Routes 95 and 97 has been the scene of greatest building activity in the past five years. In the area

along Killam Hill Road, in "East Boxford" at the Kelsey Nursery — both north and south of Ipswich Road, in a new subdivision west of Georgetown Road and in another south of Lowe Pond there are now many houses and room for many more on already plotted lots. Interspersed and adjoining properties are "ripe" for development.

2. **Boxford Center** and the plain southeast of it is a second development area where convenient access is available from the Topsfield Road Interchange with Route 95. To avoid congestion at the old village, new by-passes are proposed which will open up relatively flat and easily subdivided lands.

At the southern end of the town, near the Endicott Street Interchange and the Masconomet Regional High School, further building is predictable in both Boxford and Topsfield. This district is included in the Boxford Center Development Area for the purposes of the Preliminary General Plan; but more detailed study, particularly of the Holmes Property, may show the desirability of planning it as a separate neighborhood unit.

3. **East of Interstate 95,** a third development area is proposed extending to the Topsfield line and merging with the growing district in Topsfield.

4. **West Boxford**—Recent developments have been largely along existing roads, but one new subdivision is currently under study. The construction of Interstate Route 495 seems likely to encourage further residential development in the Second Precinct.

B. **Roads and Highways.** The most potent factor in determining the order of "development" in any community is the road system. Accessibility in physical terms and measured in time from the Metropolitan Center or from schools and shopping centers usually controls. It is because of the influence of Interstate Highways 95 and 495 on these time factors, that the next areas for "development" in Boxford are likely to be near the Interchanges on Route 95.

The Preliminary General Plan includes proposals for the general location of future new roads and highways, as a guide for property owners and public officials in developing and reviewing plans and projects.

The two most important new routes shown on the Preliminary Plan are By-passes of the two old villages:—

1. **Route 133 — By-pass of West Boxford Village** from the North Andover line to the junction of Washington Street and Willow Road. Willow Road can be widened and re-graded for the remaining length to the Georgetown line. In connection with the new By-Pass section of this route, connections are proposed

a. From Essex and Washington along the northeast side of the swamp around Fowler Pond, as a border road on the proposed open space in that area; and

b. From just east of Main Street along the south bank of a brook and swamp to Washington Street.

These two connections should be provided when the properties through which they pass are developed.

2. **Lawrence-Topsfield By-pass of Boxford Center.** This route will relieve Main Street and the Topsfield Road of the through traffic from the west to the Interchange of the Topsfield Road and Route 95. A line for this By-pass is proposed from the Lawrence Road about 100 feet inside of Boxford along the south side of Fish Brook, and after crossing Towne Road to run to the point on Middleton Road where the State Forest land begins. In this section, the new road would serve as a border road on one side or the other of a reservation along Fish Brook and for an extension of the State Forest.

Upon crossing Middleton Road the proposed By-pass would curve easterly to cross Fish Brook at the southern end of the Boy Scout Property and continue across Lockwood and Livermore lands to the Topsfield Road just west of the Interchange.

3. Another east-west connection shown on the Preliminary General Plan would leave Main Street at the curve near Dr. Schulman's house and follow the general line of a cart path southeast of Cedar Swamp to Herrick Road.

4. The Preliminary General Plan also suggests new pieces or connections for Main Street in the western part of Town with two new sections: 1) from the hill north of Stiles Pond, close to the west end of the pond to the curve in Main Street at Jobs Hill; and 2) from Main Street at the other end of Jobs

Hill, due south to the proposed southern By-pass at Lawrence Road.

C. **Commercial Development.** As residential growth continues in Boxford, there is certain to be a demand for additional local neighborhood shopping facilities — with stores for drugs, groceries and other so-called "convenience goods" and possibly a gasoline station. If the present "General" stores in the two main villages are not to lose their character, new sites to supplement their services will be required. In the other proposed "Development Areas," conveniently located service stores can probably find sufficient customers to operate when those neighborhoods have grown sufficiently.

To provide for these anticipated future demands, the Preliminary General Plan suggests the future zoning of areas for a carefully controlled type of neighborhood shopping facility. The choice of these areas must, of course, reflect their accessibility by existing or new roads, the character of the topography and shape of the property, and the interests of the neighbors. When the general location for such a "commercial" development is agreed upon, it may be desirable to use some specially contrived procedures to avoid speculation in the property values and a "monopoly" interest, as well as to assure the actual development of the site.

The locations for future commercial development shown on the Preliminary General Plan are highly tentative and subject to much further study before the Planning Board is prepared to make any recommendations concerning them.

The recently re-zoned Commercial area at the southeast of the Interchange between Routes 97 and 95 is for a specialized purpose directly related to the highway. The development of Motels, Service Stations, and restaurants for use by travelers on through highways may be advantageous by provision of tax revenues to the Town without some of the costs for schools and services which ordinarily accompany residential development. A special category of "Highway Commercial" Zoning is more and more used to control such projects.

D. **Industrial Development.** Similar considerations of tax advantage are causing every city and town to look for indus-

trial development, and methods of attracting clean, noiseless, vibrationless, and smokeless light industry to locate within their borders. There is not much chance that any large enterprise of this sort will locate in Boxford, since the town has no public water supply or sewerage, no railroad and no laborpool. The only attraction for industry is Interstate Highway 95 and the possible transportation and advertising advantages of a site within view of the Highway.

Consultation with developers of Industrial Sites has brought out that the only potential area for an Industrial Development in Boxford is the land on both sides of the Rowley Road, east of Route 95 and north of Killam Hill Road, Route 97.

The designation of that site — or any other area for Industry raises the same problems of speculation, monopoly interest and actual construction as in the case of Commercial Zones previously cited. In addition, experience has shown that in order to have available an easily assembled site of sufficient size to attract industry, it is necessary to prohibit residential and commercial development by placing the land in what has been called an Exclusive Single Purpose Zone for Industry only. To control the type of industrial development permitted in such a zone, Performance standards can be written into the Zoning By-law.

D. **School and Recreation Areas.** Besides accessibility to roads perhaps the second most important factor in choice of areas for development is the existence of school and recreational facilities.

The school requirements of growing Boxford have been the subject of study by a Special Town Committee as well as by the Planning Board. The two groups are agreed that the next immediate step should be the acquisition of a future school site near the geographical center of the town. They have also agreed on the site shown on the Preliminary General Plan at the Spofford Property adjoining the Town Dump and north of Spofford Road and Spoffords Pond.

Modern theory and practice combines education and recreation on a single site to gain maximum use of both kinds of facilities. At the proposed future central school site, parts of

the Dump property and additions to it could be developed with the school for such a combined use.

At the Cole School, the acquisition of the Old Training Field — previously recommended — would similarly permit expanded recreation facilities in association with the School.

At the Morse School in West Boxford, there is a possibility of a recreational use of the property,— particularly of the Mill Pond or part of it if it is re-established.

The Boy Scout property in the former gravel pit has been the subject of a special study by the Recreation Committee and offers attractive possibilities for recreational development in relation to Spring Brook.

The existing State Wildlife Reservation and State Forests provide for other kinds of recreation, and the several additions to those properties and for reservations and conservation areas along the principal streams, around ponds, or on steep hills will provide many more.

REPORT OF NORTH ANDOVER-BOXFORD DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' SERVICES

The following services were performed by this Department during 1960:

Discharge (certified copy)	15
Discharge (recorded)	7
Photostats	225
Bonus	1
Loan Guaranty	9
Taxes	25
Annual Income Report	24
Compensation	14
Pension	12
Burial Allowance	9
Headstone	6
Insurance	12
Power of Attorney	22
Hospitalization	23
Out-Patient Treatment	5

Forms Notarized	20
Miscellaneous	40

Respectfully submitted,
BERNARD W. BINGHAM,
District Director

REPORT OF THE NORTH ANDOVER AND BOXFORD DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS SERVICE

		N. Andover	Boxford	Total
Balance Carried from 1959		$11.59	$4.63	$16.22
Appropriated in 1960, Section 11 Chapter 599, Acts of 1946 Raised by the Assessors in 1960 Tax Levy		1,105.00	155.00	1,260.00
Totals		$1,116.59	$159.63	$1,276.22
Expended to Dec. 31, 1960	(A)	1,104.46	155.04	1,259.50
Balance, December 31, 1960		$ 12.13	$ 4.59	$ 16.72

(A) Basis for apportionment Chapter 599, Acts of 1945, an act establishing the basis for apportionment of State and County Taxes.

North Andover	$9,386,690.00 —	Per Cent .8769
Boxford	1,317,220.00 —	Per Cent .1231

District Department of Veterans Service.

JAMES J. MAKER,
District Treasurer

Bernard W. Bingham (Salary)	$1,200.00
New England Tel. & Tel. Co. (Services)	48.00
Veterans Information Service (Frank Ostlin)	9.00
Thomas J. McGrail, Jr. (District Treasurers Bond)	2.50
Total	$1,259.50

Respectfully submitted,
BERNARD W. BINGHAM,
Agent

REPORT OF THE FIRE WARDEN

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Boxford
Gentlemen:

FIRES

East Boxford	West Boxford
3 Car Fires	1 Bomb Scare at Nursing Home
1 Bomb Scare at Regional School	1 House Fire
4 Calls to Regional School	2 Chimney Fires
3 Accidents on Rte. 95	1 Rescue — Boys from mud
2 Accidents on Rte. 97	1 Accident on Main St.
1 Dish Washer	1 Accident on Rte. 133
3 Electric Power, Lines down	
2 Tractor Fires	
1 Call to West Boxford	

Respectfully submitted,

ARCHER N. FRENCH,
Fire Warden

REPORT OF THE FOREST FIRE WARDEN

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Boxford
Gentlemen:

FIRES

East Boxford	West Boxford
5 Grass Fires	3 Grass Fires
13 Woods Fires	2 Brush Fires
1 Dump Fire	4 Dump Fires
—	1 Call to East Boxford
19 Fires	—
	10 Fires

Respectfully submitted,

ARCHER N. FRENCH,
Forest Warden

REPORT OF THE TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE

Considerable thinning was done in several sections and wood roads were widened in places.

Two places in the Town Forest were being used to dump trash by people from out of town. Enough evidence was found to make them come back and clean up the entire mess.

Each year the forest is becoming more beautiful and the Committee feels sure it will become an asset to future generations, as more houses are being built around it.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER K. MORSS
WINTHROP P. HAYNES
ROBERT B. PARKHURST
Town Forest Committee

TOWN RECREATION COMMITTEE REPORT

In accordance with Article 10 at the town meeting of October 26, 1960, the Selectmen, on December 23, 1960, appointed the following persons to serve on the Town Recreation Committee:

David Doughty ..... three years
Marian Colby ..... three years
Shirley MacGill ..... two years
Gordon Price ..... two years
Ben Freeman ..... one year

As outlined in Article 10, this committee is authorized to study the recreational needs of the town, make recommendations regarding development of recreational areas and to be responsible for the care, maintenance and operation of any such areas.

This committee is undertaking a survey of all areas in the town now in use or available for use as town recreational areas.

The committee will welcome any comments, suggestions and/or assistance from individuals and organizations.

REPORT OF CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR

During the year 1960 the balance of radio equipment was ordered for Engine No. 2 and Engine No. 3. These units will be installed on arrival and will give the Fire Department radio in all units.

This organization was alerted for the September 11th hurricane, and in conjunction with the Tree Department, Merrimack Essex Electric Company was able to place 80% of the town back in operation by 2 A.M. on September 12. The floodlight on the CD pick-up truck was used with these departments until 6 A.M. on the following morning.

The cooperation of all department heads and town officials is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully,
GORDON A. RUSSELL,
Director

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

It has been a very healthy year in the Town of Boxford in so far as communicable diseases reported to the Board of Health are concerned, as is shown by the following list which is less than half the number reported in 1959:

Disease	No. of Cases
German Measles	2
Mumps	5
Chicken Pox	1
Salmonellosis	1
Scarlet Fever	5
Dog Bite	3

Two polio clinics were held during the year at which time 159 doses of Salk vaccine were administered without charge.

Licenses were granted during the year as follows:

Recreational Camps	8
Slaughter	2
Milk Dealers	12
Milk Producer	1

Manufacture of Ice Cream	1
Oleo	1

One possible location for a kindergarten was inspected by Dr. A. A. Bill of the Department of Public Health and found unsuitable.

Edward F. M. Wong, M.S., District Sanitarian from the Northeastern Health District, discussed various health measures with us.

On October 3rd, representatives of the Essex County Boards of Health and other interested citizens met at the Essex County Sanitorium to discuss its future. The group of about 60 voted unanimously to recommend retaining the T.B. unit and that the area not now in use be utilized as a Chronic Disease Hospital.

On April 23, the Board of Health voted to increase the fee for sanitary permits from $10.00 to $15.00.

Early in the year an acre or more at the dump was cleared of trees and brush. Gravel from this area was used for road construction on Washington street.

On July 30, Edward Wilmot terminated his services as custodian at the dump and James P. Gray replaced him. This change has proved very satisfactory. The Board of Health wishes to thank our fellow townspeople for their cooperation in helping the caretaker to keep the dump in good condition. All are urged to package papers and other salvagable materials, since they help to eke out the small stipend which we pay Mr. Gray for the maintenance of the dump.

It comes to our attention repeatedly that investors are buying up marginal land with the hope of making suitable house sites in swamps or on rocky ledges. It would be wise for all such individuals to seek the opinion of our sanitary engineer and this Board as to the suitability of such area before committing themselves to a proposition which might result in serious financial loss.

Respectfully submitted,

STEPHEN MADDOCK, M.D. HARRY L. COLE
RAYMOND PERLEY

Board of Health

REPORT OF THE SANITARY ENGINEER

Honorable Board of Health
Town Hall
Boxford, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

This will be a report of my work as the sanitary engineer for your Board during the year 1960:

There was some decrease in the total new sewerage disposal installations that were completed as compared with 1959. This year, there were 57, as against 69 last year. In addition, only two old systems were completely renovated; only one new subdivision was studied and one subdivision completely reviewed after major revisions in their plans.

In addition to the above, three lots of land that prospective home-owners wished to build on had to be rejected. This action was due to the soil conditions that were present. In one case, the porosity of the ground was unsatisfactory. In the other two cases, ground water was present too close to the surface of the ground. Major improvements in the latter situations could have been accomplished by very extensive filling and/or drainage projects. Correctly enough, in my opinion, the owners did not consider the necessary work economically feasible.

All the recreational camps were inspected during 1960 and samples taken of their water supplies and swimming areas. All our samples were satisfactory, except for the well water from one well. Previous samples had been satisfactory and another sample from this well was satisfactory. Further testing of this source will be obtained to insure that the campers are fully protected.

Water samples were taken from the schools in the Town and all were found to be safe for use. On the other hand, samples obtained from two homes and one business establishment were found to be unsafe and were so notified. Appropriate action has been undertaken by the owners to correct the conditions and protect the public. Action taken to correct an

unsatisfactory condition of a public water supply — found last year — has resulted in at least one satisfactory sample. If subsequent tests continue to show safe water, this well will be opened for use.

In total, 42 water samples were collected during 1960. Except for those spoken of above as unsafe, all were satisfactory for use. This included one household where established enteric disease existed and some others where such a condition was suspected.

Finally, although nursing and rest homes are licensed by the Commonwealth, through the Division of Hospital Facilities, Massachusetts Department of Public Health, the local boards of health are requested to certify as to conditions present. (This is usually in the area of environmental sanitation and other conditions best known to the local officials.) For your Board, I inspected such an establishment in Boxford and found it suitable for certification.

Respectfully yours,

TRACY I. FLAGG
Registered Sanitarian
Registered Professional Engineer

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

All branches of aid with the exception of general relief are administered through the Central Essex Welfare District office, a report of which is elsewhere in this book.

We are happy to say that the entire amount spent in 1960 for general relief was the modest sum of $61.58.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY L. COLE
JOHN G. BOLTON
RAYMOND PERLEY
Board of Public Welfare

REPORT OF THE CENTRAL ESSEX WELFARE DISTRICT

Old Age Assistance	13 cases
Aid to Dependent Children (5 children)	2 cases
Disability Assistance	3 cases
Medical Aid for the Aged (effective 10/1/60)	3 cases

The case count of all categories remained stable until the end of the year when two cases were lost by death. A new category of assistance called Medical Aid for the Aged was enacted into law October 1, 1960 and two cases were transferred to this category from Old Age Assistance. This category of assistance was passed by the General Court to aid persons over age 65 who reside in the Commonwealth, and are in need of medical assistance. This will be a federal, state, and local program as is Old Age Assistance, Aid to Dependent Children, and Disability Assistance. There is no settlement in Medical Aid for the Aged.

Medical care again increased for the year of 1960. In 1959 the total was $8,284.42, in 1960 $11,432.66. The largest item continues to be nursing home care. The rates for this type of care did not increase in the calendar year of 1960 but there will be a slight increase of ten cents (10c) per day per patient effective January 1, 1961.

Due to increased need for, and increased cost of medical care for our aging population there is still considerable pressure on the national level to enact some kind of prepaid plan for payment of at least part of medical needs of retired persons. At present there is considerable discussion about having the need, or part of it met through Social Security.

In the meantime, there are very adequate laws in Massachusetts to meet the needs of all of her elderly population for medical care, and of all needy persons of any age as defined in the statutes. However, all of these programs will need tax dollars whether they be federal, state, or local, and at this moment it is impossible to estimate the cost to the town as there is the new program of Medical Care for the Aged and

there have been increases voted by the legislators in both Old Age Assistance and Disability Assistance.

The director wishes to thank all of the town officials and the townspeople for their help and cooperation in the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

PHYLLIS R. BROWN,
Director

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN

The year 1960 has been a very active one in the Town of Boxford. At the first of the year there was a bomb scare at the Richardson Rest Home which was handled in a very satisfactory manner by the Civil Defense Agency, local and State Police.

In February there was a meeting, sponsored by the American Legion, with representatives from the Telephone Company to discuss the possibility of eliminating toll charges on telephone calls within the town.

On February 6th, the townspeople had a testimonial banquet for William D. Johnson, who had served the town as Superintendent of Schools for nineteen years.

The Selectmen were among the sponsors of a Style Show held at the Masconomet Regional School on February 16th.

In March the children who were enrolled in the 4-H Dog Program made use of the Town Hall for three evenings.

On April 10th the Selectmen were called upon to act as Fence Viewers.

The Selectmen were invited to attend Arbor Day exercises in Topsfield on April 30th, when a sycamore tree was planted with appropriate ceremonies on the property of Conrad S. Tronerud in the geographical center of Essex County. This tree replaces a willow tree planted in 1836 to mark this spot.

On May 3rd the town participated in a state-wide Civil Defense alert.

The Board of Selectmen attended the exercises in connection with the laying of the corner stone for the new Boxford-Topsfield Episcopal Church in Topsfield on May 15th.

On June 18th there were twelve houses open for inspection as a "Heritage Day" celebration.

A complaint was received regarding the Rifle Range at the Wakefield Y.M.C.A. Camp at Stiles Pond.

The contract for a new pumping engine for the Fire Department in the West Parish was awarded to the Howe Company. A very commodious building was donated by William A. Barrell, Jr., which has been moved from his property and located adjacent to the present fire house for the new equipment when delivered. The Town is very grateful to Mr. Barrell for this generous gift and also to all who have contributed toward this project.

A public hearing was held in Lincoln Hall on August 15th regarding the traffic situation on Washington Street, since there had been numerous complaints of gravel trucks passing through West Boxford village with loads uncovered and at excessive speed.

A new oil-burning furnace was installed at Lincoln Hall and the Town Hall received a coat of paint.

A class for beginners in ballet dancing was held at the Town Hall in October.

The Roberts Contracting Corp. was awarded the contract to renovate stall No. 1 in the town shed for a police station.

Due to the increased number of registered voters, it was necessary to purchase eight new voting booths for the 1960 presidential election.

At a special town meeting held on October 26th, an appropriation was voted to celebrate the 275th anniversary of the incorporation of Boxford as a town. This event was appropriately celebrated with a party sponsored by the Boxford Historical Society and held at the Masconomet Regional School on November 26th. Souvenir plates depicting the town seal in color, and booklets containing some of the highlights of the

town's history were sold in connection with the celebration. Plates and booklets are still available from the Historical Society.

New street signs have been made and placed at the various intersections.

Under special appropriations voted at a town meeting held on May 31st, sections of Spofford and Middleton Roads have been resurfaced and oiled during the year.

Work under the provisions of Chapter 90 on a project started in 1959 on Washington Street near the North Andover-Boxford town line was continued, relocating and hot-topping .42 of a mile and also the drainage problem in West Boxford village has been, we hope, permanently corrected.

Maintenance work has been done on various secondary roads under the Chapter 81 maintenance allotment.

A section of road off Killam Hill Road left uncompleted in the Thunderbird Development was put into acceptable condition and received one coat of oil, a second coat to be applied in the spring of 1961. This work was done with funds from a guaranteed deposit.

The Selectmen take this opportunity to express their appreciation for all donations of time, money or materials received from individuals and organizations of the town during the year and for the cooperation of the various town departments.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY L. COLE
JOHN G. BOLTON
RAYMOND PERLEY
Board of Selectmen

REPORT OF TOWN ACCOUNTANT

RECEIPTS FOR 1960

Simeon S. Pearl, Collector		
Taxes, current year:		
Real Estate	$281,559.02	
Personal Property	31,224.26	
Poll	942.00	
		$313,725.28
Taxes, previous years:		
Real Estate	$17,095.09	
Personal Property	1,310.17	
Poll	82.00	
		$ 18,487.26
Motor Vehicle Excise:		
Levy of 1956	$33.22	
Levy of 1958	148.36	
Levy of 1959	8,589.15	
Levy of 1960	33,965.99	
		$ 42,736.72
Classified Forest Land:		
Levy of 1958	$27.54	
Levy of 1959	5.48	
Levy of 1960	116.09	
		$ 149.11
Farm Animal Excise:		
Levy of 1958	$32.15	
Levy of 1959	110.30	
Levy of 1960	191.30	
		$ 333.75
Commonwealth of Massachusetts:		
For Highways:		
Chapter 81 Maintenance	$13,036.53	
Chapter 90 Construction	12,698.17	
		$ 25,734.70

For Education:		
School Superintendent	$896.00	
U. S. Public Law No. 874	2,539.96	
National Defense Education — Title IIIA	140.51	
Chapter 70, School Aid	18,628.09	
Aid, School Construction	2,845.47	
Education and Transportation	11,230.40	
Vocational Education	19.50	
		$ 36,299.93
For Taxes, etc:		
Income Tax	$5,338.17	
Corporation Taxes	6,240.49	
Loss of Taxes	1,617.08	
Meal Tax, O.A.A.	525.36	
Snow Removal	33.75	
Animal Inspection	25.00	
School Lunch Program	2,891.66	
Public Health	44.29	
		$ 16,715.80
For Aid and Relief:		
Old Age Assistance	$9,005.62	
Old Age Assistance, U. S. Grant	6,611.57	
Aid to Dependent Children	1,702.06	
Aid to Dependent Children, U. S. Grant	1,558.00	
Disability Assistance	1,639.66	
Disability Assistance, U. S. Grant	1,494.00	
Veterans' Benefits	957.22	
		$ 22,968.13
County of Essex:		
For Highways:		
Chapter 90, Construction	$6,349.08	
Dog License Refund	405.13	
Dog Board Refund	10.00	
		$ 6,764.21

Trust and Investment Funds:		
Sarah P. Perley Fund	$140.00	
Killam and Curtis Cemetery	6.00	
Interest on School Funds	146.26	
Interest on Library Funds:		
East Parish	139.32	
West Parish	121.66	
J. T. Barker Fund	1,900.00	
		$ 2,453.24
Departmental Accounts:		
Old Age Assistance	$480.49	
Old Age Assistance—Recovery	1,463.76	
Highway	143.05	
Appeal Board	105.00	
School	274.26	
Board of Health	448.14	
Sealer of Weights and Measures	19.85	
Town Forest	50.00	
Town Clerk	6.00	
		$ 2,990.55
Licenses and Permits:		
Dogs	$566.50	
Slaughter	1,000.00	
Building and Sewerage	1,564.00	
Junk	7.00	
Revolver	24.00	
Ice Cream	5.00	
Milk	6.00	
Peddler	2.00	
Recreational Camp	6.50	
Lord's Day	.50	
Oleo	.50	
		$ 3,182.00
Unclassified:		
Interest on Deposits	$3,233.76	
Interest on Taxes	563.29	

School Lunch Program	7,301.55	
County Retirement	2,112.33	
Federal Withholding Deductions	14,615.64	
Rent of Town Halls	226.00	
Rent of Land	30.00	
Departmental Refunds	109.40	
State Withholding Tax Deductions	1,013.62	
Use of Telephones	63.80	
Pay Station Commission	54.40	
Miscellaneous Receipts	2.73	
Court Fines	207.00	
Guaranteed Deposit—Crescent Circle	1,571.19	
275th Anniversary	589.42	
Insurance on Cruiser	2,373.52	
Stabilization Fund	80,000.00	
		$114,067.65
TOTAL RECEIPTS		$606,608.33

EXPENDITURES FOR 1960

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Selectmen	$1,389.49
Board of Public Welfare	277.35
Assessors	2,111.26
Treasurer	573.10
Town Clerk	567.25
Accountant	1,930.59
Collector	1,769.44
Registrars	163.50
Elections	952.38
Elections—1959 Account	104.75
Town Counsel	500.00
Appeal Board	134.04
Planning Board	267.65
Planning Board—Housing Act of 1954	3,000.00

Building Inspector	900.00	
Wire Inspector	750.00	
Finance Committee	17.77	
Town Recreation Committee	21.50	
Board of Health	2,512.92	
Inspection of Slaughtering	912.00	
Inspection of Animals	50.00	
		$ 18,904.99

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Sealer of Weights and Measures	$29.41	
Dog Officer	62.00	
Police	5,360.33	
Forest Warden	2,392.38	
Fire Warden	2,296.15	
Tree Warden	1,400.11	
Moth Suppression	1,500.00	
Moth Suppression—1959 Account	363.80	
Dutch Elm Disease Control	2,000.00	
Pumping Engine—Fire Department	15.00	
New Fire House—West Parish	684.06	
Police Ambulance-Cruiser	3,197.94	
		$ 19,301.18

AID AND RELIEF

Public Welfare	$61.58	
Disability Assistance	3,342.27	
Disability Assistance, U. S. Grant	1,010.93	
Old Age Assistance	12,723.65	
Old Age Assistance, U. S. Grant	4,451.82	
Aid to Dependent Children	3,886.90	
Aid to Dependent Children, U.S. Grant	997.75	
Veterans' Benefits	1,204.21	
Central Essex Welfare Dist. Administration	600.00	
Sarah P. Perley Fund	140.00	
		$ 28,419.11

SCHOOLS AND LIBRARIES

School Department	$114,519.00	

School Account—National Defense Education	339.62	
School Building Committee	11,492.55	
Vocational Education	220.53	
School Lunch Program	9,936.84	
East Parish Library	1,691.88	
West Parish Library	874.23	
Cole School Addition	13,385.70	
Regional District School	143,276.51	
		$295,736.86

HIGHWAYS

Crescent Circle	$1,394.27	
Chapter 81 Maintenance	19,288.12	
Chapter 90 Construction, Main Street	146.53	
Chapter 90 Construction, Washington Street, 1959 Account	12,595.32	
Chap. 90 Construction, Washington St.	17,990.77	
Highways and Bridges, Selectmen's Fund	990.88	
Snow Removal and Sanding	10,744.80	
Road Machinery Maintenance	2,487.59	
Street Lighting	747.96	
Highway Vacation Account	783.20	
Sick Benefit	148.20	
Middleton Road	1,992.00	
Spofford Road	996.00	
		$ 70,305.64

UNCLASSIFIED

Town Halls	$1,903.77
Public Grounds	116.50
Lincoln Hall—Furnace	495.00
Insurance	4,032.34
Town Forest	199.50
Memorial Day	300.00
Soldier's Graves	200.00
Harmony Cemetery	50.00
Mt. Vernon Cemetery	50.00
Boxford Village Cemetery	150.00

Killam and Curtis Cemetery	6.00	
Clerical	499.50	
Federal Withholding Tax Deductions	14,615.64	
Land Damage	950.00	
275th Anniversary Celebration	840.10	
Stabilization Fund	80,000.00	
State Audit of Municipal Accounts	921.86	
State Withholding Tax Deductions	993.48	
Town Reports	791.40	
Civil Defense	551.94	
Selectmen's Contingent Fund	514.70	
Essex Sanatorium	1,739.39	
Veterans' Service District	155.00	
State Parks and Reservations	678.14	
County Tax	5,304.96	
County Retirement System	2,484.78	
County Retirement Deductions	2,112.33	
Motor Vehicle Excise Refunds	1,587.91	
Real Estate Tax Refund	408.30	
Dog Licenses to County	566.50	
Principal on Maturing Debt	7,000.00	
Interest on Maturing Debt	2,112.50	
		$132,331.54
TOTAL CASH PAYMENTS		$564,999.32

BALANCE SHEET

December 31, 1960

ASSETS

Cash: General		$293,355.00
Accounts Receivable:		
Taxes: Levy of 1958		5.10
Levy of 1959:		
Poll	$14.00	
Real Estate	1,541.24	

Personal	54.02	
		1,609.26
Levy of 1960:		
Poll	$72.00	
Real Estate	19,587.84	
Personal	1,434.91	
		21,094.75
Classified Forest Land:		
Levy of 1959	$24.09	
Levy of 1960	31.02	
		55.11
Farm Animal Excise:		
Levy of 1960		25.88
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:		
Levy of 1958	$2.21	
Levy of 1959	272.23	
Levy of 1960	9,499.40	
		9,773.84
Departmental:		
Aid to Dependent Children	$582.48	
Disability Assistance	261.72	
Veterans' Services	82.60	
Old Age Assistance	1,067.36	
Highway—Snow Removal	434.25	
		2,428.41
Tax Titles:		1,403.62
State and County Aid to Highways		20,789.52
Underestimates:		
State Parks and Reservations		146.07
		$350,686.56

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Net Funded or Fixed Debt	$81,000.00

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Trust Funds—Cash and Securities	$60,968.31

BALANCE SHEET

December 31, 1960

LIABILITIES

Reserve until Collected:		
Tax Titles	$1,403.62	
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise Revenue	9,773.64	
Departmental Revenue	2,428.41	
Special Assessment Revenue	80.99	
State and County Aid to Highway Revenue	20,789.52	
		$ 34,476.18
Overlay Reserved for Abatement of Taxes:		
Levy of 1958	$5.10	
Levy of 1959	1,699.26	
Levy of 1960	11,772.42	
		13,476.78
Overlay Surplus—Reserve		46,572.30
Excess and Deficiency		124,934.26
Appropriation Accounts:		
Goodwin Plans—1954 Account	$100.00	
Assessors	188.74	
Town Recreation Committee	478.50	
School Building Comm. Options	3,000.00	
School Building Committee	3,507.45	
Cole School Addition	66,614.30	
Cole School Alterations	6,000.00	
Police Station	850.00	
Fire Dept.—2-way Radios	500.00	
Fire Dept.—Pumping Engine	14,985.00	
New Fire House—West Parish	315.94	
Chap. 90 Construction—Washington St.	2,002.23	
School	282.34	
Civil Defense	5.98	
		98,830.48

U. S. Grants:		
Disability Assistance	$3,648.65	
Aid to Dependent Children	4,133.20	
Old Age Assistance	12,643.95	
School Acc't., U.S.Public Law 874	5,003.80	
School Acc't.—National Defense Education Title IIIA	169.46	
		25,599.06
Old Age Recovery		1,432.99
Crescent Circle		174.92
Road Machinery Fund		1,942.70
School Lunch Program		1,243.12
J. T. Barker Fund		1,900.00
Motor Vehicle Excise—1957		.20
Poll Tax—1958		2.00
Overestimates:		
County Tax		101.57
		$350,686.56

DEBT ACCOUNT

School Loan	$81,000.00

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Town Farm Fund	$39,222.14	
Post-War Rehabilitation Fund	4,692.05	
East Parish Library	3,500.00	
West Parish Library	3,000.00	
Town School Fund	4,410.59	
Sarah P. Perley Fund	2,094.41	
East Parish Library Cote Fund	1,145.34	
Curtis and Killam Burial Lot Fund	339.65	
Boxford Visiting Nurse Association	1,175.15	
Stabilization Fund	1,388.98	
		$ 60,968.31

DETAIL OF EXPENDITURES FOR 1960

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Selectmen

Appropriation		$ 1,450.00
Salaries, Selectmen	$1,356.66	
Office Expense	8.83	
State and County Association Dues	24.00	
Total expenditures	$1,389.49	
Balance to revenue	60.51	
	$1,450.00	$ 1,450.00

Board of Public Welfare

Appropriation		$ 300.00
Salaries, Board of Public Welfare	266.59	
Office Expenses	10.76	
Total expenditures	$277.35	
Balance to revenue	22.65	
	$300.00	$ 300.00

Board of Assessors

Appropriation		$ 2,300.00
Salaries, Board of Assessors	$1,325.00	
Clerical	390.00	
Abstracts	94.52	
Office supplies	292.74	
State and County Association Dues	9.00	
Total expenditures	$2,111.26	
Balance to 1961	188.74	
	$2,300.00	$ 2,300.00

Treasurer

Appropriation		$ 650.00
Salary, Treasurer	$350.00	
Bond	129.60	

Office supplies	85.10	
Rent, Safety Deposit Vault	4.40	
State Association Dues	4.00	
Total expenditures	$573.10	
Balance to revenue	76.90	
	$650.00	$ 650.00

Town Clerk

Appropriation		$ 450.00
Transfer from Reserve		117.25
Services, Town Clerk	$387.50	
Bond	10.00	
Office Expense	162.25	
Association Dues	7.50	
Total expenditures	$567.26	$ 567.25

Collector

Appropriation		$ 2,000.00
Salary, Collector	$1,200.00	
Bonds	248.80	
Office expense	316.64	
State Association Dues	4.00	
Total expenditures	$1,769.44	
Balance to revenue	230.56	
	$2,000.00	$ 2,000.00

Accountant

Appropriation		$ 2,000.00
Salary, Accountant	$1,700.00	
Clerical expense	123.00	
Office expenses	107.59	
Total expenditures	$1,930.59	
Balance to revenue	69.41	
	$2,000.00	$2,000.00

Town Counsel

Appropriation		$ 500.00
Salary, Town Counsel	$500.00	
	$500.00	$ 500.00

Finance Committee

Appropriation		$ 50.00
Printing and postage	$17.77	
Balance to revenue	32.23	
	$50.00	$ 50.00

Registrars

Appropriation		$ 300.00
Salaries, Board of Registrars	$163.50	
Balance to revenue	136.50	
	$300.00	$ 300.00

Elections

Appropriation		$ 1,000.00
Services, Election Officers	$539.63	
Services, Town Clerk	90.10	
Printing	173.50	
Voting Booths	149.15	
Total expenditures	952.38	
Balance to revenue	47.62	
	$1,000.00	$ 1,000.00

Elections — 1959 Account

Balance from 1959		$ 149.00
Printing	$104.75	
Balance to revenue	44.25	
	$149.00	$ 149.00

Appeal Board

Appropriation		$ 200.00
Advertising	$123.50	
Office expense	10.54	
Total expenditures	$134.04	
Balance to revenue	65.96	
	$200.00	$ 200.00

Planning Board

Appropriation		$ 275.00
Surveyors	$245.00	
Office Supplies	2.65	
Association Dues	20.00	
Total expenditures	$267.65	
Balance to revenue	7.35	
	$275.00	$ 275.00

Town Recreation Committee

Appropriation		$ 500.00
Backhoe	$10.00	
Office expense	11.50	
Total expenditures	$21.50	
Balance to 1961	478.50	
	$500.00	$ 500.00

Building Inspector

Appropriation		$ 900.00
Services, Building Inspector	$860.00	
Office expense	40.00	
Total expenditures	$900.00	$ 900.00

Wire Inspector

Appropriation		$ 750.00
Services, Wire Inspector	$600.00	
Office expense	150.00	
Total expenditures	$750.00	$ 750.00

HEALTH AND SANITATION

Board of Health

Appropriation		$ 2,800.00
Salaries, Board of Health	$225.00	
Services, Sanitary Engineer	830.00	
Services, Dump Caretaker	1,068.00	
Maintenance of Dump	306.60	
Vaccine	26.46	
Office expense	40.46	
Rubbish Collection	16.40	
Total expenditures	$2,512.92	
Balance to revenue	287.08	
	$2,800.00	$ 2,800.00

Inspectors of Slaughtering

Appropriation		$ 1,000.00
Salaries, Inspectors of Slaughtering	$912.00	
Balance to revenue	88.00	
	$1,000.00	$ 1,000.00

Inspector of Animals

Appropriation		$ 50.00
Salary, Inspector of Animals	$50.00	
	$50.00	$ 50.00

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Appropriation		$ 35.00
Salary, Sealer	$25.00	
Office supplies	4.41	
Total expenditures	$29.41	
Balance to revenue	5.59	
	$35.00	$ 35.00

Dog Officer

Appropriation		$ 70.00
Refunds from Essex County		10.00
Salary, Dog Officer	$50.00	
Board and disposal of stray dogs	12.00	
Total expenditures	$62.00	
Balance to revenue	18.00	
	$80.00	$ 80.00

Police

Appropriation		$ 4,100.00
Transfer from Reserve		1,260.33
Labor	$4,232.50	
Use of cars	167.00	
Truck	9.00	
Office expense	44.35	
Insurance	125.00	
Equipment	81.03	
Telephone	147.35	
Repairs	154.21	
Gasoline and oil	399.89	
Total expenditures	$5,360.33	$ 5,360.33

Police Ambulance Cruiser

Appropriation		$ 1,300.00
Transfer from Overlay Reserve		2,000.00

New Ambulance Cruiser	$3,197.94	
Balance to revenue	102.06	
	$3,300.00	$ 3,300.00

Forest Warden

Appropriation		$ 2,500.00
Salary, Forest Warden	$220.00	
Labor	486.00	
Janitor Service	110.00	
Telephones	492.35	
Equipment	838.29	
Repairs	72.61	
Gasoline and oil	50.44	
Fuel	119.19	
Subscription	3.50	
Total expenditures	$2,392.38	
Balance to revenue	107.62	
	$2,500.00	$ 2,500.00

Fire Warden

Appropriation		$2,500.00
Janitor Service	$220.00	
Labor	112.40	
Equipment	395.04	
Repairs	575.60	
Telephones	575.55	
Fuel	185.48	
Gasoline and oil	60.66	
Supplies	168.42	
Association Dues	3.00	
Total expenditures	$2,296.15	
Balance to revenue	203.85	
	$2,500.00	$ 2,500.00

New Fire House — West Parish

Appropriation		$ 1,000.00
Moving building	$190.00	
Door	306.00	
Electrical fixtures	48.00	
Sand and cement	140.06	
Total expenditures	$684.06	
Balance to 1961	315.94	
	$1,000.00	$ 1,000.00

Tree Warden

Appropriation		$1,400.00
Transfer from reserve		.11
Labor	$361.60	
Trucks	81.50	
Power Saw	14.00	
Contract Work	926.90	
Tools	11.11	
County Association Dues	5.00	
Total expenditures	$1,400.11	$ 1,400.11

Moth Suppression

Appropriation		$ 1,500.00
Labor	$305.90	
Spraying	665.20	
Truck	30.00	
Supplies	165.00	
Contract Work	333.90	
Total expenditures	$1,500.00	$ 1,500.00

Moth Suppression — 1959 Account

Balance from 1959		$ 495.75
Labor	$286.80	

Trucks	73.50	
Tractor	3.50	
Total expenditures	$363.80	
Balance to revenue	131.95	
	$495.75	$ 495.75

Dutch Elm Disease Control

Appropriation		$ 2,000.00
Labor	$348.90	
Power Saw	8.00	
Trucks	47.40	
Tractor	14.00	
Contract Work	1,581.70	
Total expenditures	$2,000.00	$ 2,000.00

CHARITIES, AID AND VETERANS' BENEFITS

Public Welfare

Appropriation		$ 1,500.00
Fuel	$21.58	
Other cities and towns	40.00	
Total expenditures	61.58	
Transfer to A. D. C.	900.00	
Transfer to O. A. A.	538.42	
	$1,500.00	$ 1,500.00

Old Age Assistance

Appropriation		$ 12,000.00
Refunds		14.40
Transfer from General Relief		709.25
Cash	$12,122.19	
Other cities and towns	601.46	
	$12,723.65	$ 12,723.65

Old Age Assistance, U.S. Grant

Balance from 1959		$10,484.20
Federal Grants		6,611.57
Cash	$4,086.69	
Other towns	365.13	
Balance to 1961	12,643.95	
	$17,095.77	$ 17,095.77

Aid to Dependent Children

Appropriation		$ 3,000.00
Transfer from General Relief		900.00
Cash	$3,886.90	
Transfer to O. A. A.	13.10	
	$3,900.00	$ 3,900.00

Aid to Dependent Children, U.S. Grant

Balance from 1959		$ 3,572.95
Federal Grants		1,558.00
Cash	$997.75	
Balance to 1961	4,133.20	
	$5,130.95	$ 5,130.95

Disability Assistance

Appropriation		$3,500.00
Cash	$3,342.27	
Transfer to O. A. A.	157.73	
	$3,500.00	$ 3,500.00

Disability Assistance, U.S. Grant

Balance from 1959		$ 3,165.58
Federal Grants		1,494.00
Cash	$1,010.93	
Balance to 1961	3,648.65	
	$4,659.58	$ 4,659.58

Central Essex Welfare District Administration

Appropriation		$ 600.00
Welfare District	$600.00	
	$600.00	$ 600.00

Veterans' Benefits

Appropriation		$ 2,000.00
Cash	$927.50	
Medical	226.71	
Hospital	45.00	
Transportation	5.00	
Total expenditures	$1,204.21	
Balance to revenue	795.79	
	$2,000.00	$ 2,000.00

HIGHWAYS

Highways and Bridges — Selectmen's Fund

Appropriation		$1,000.00
Transfer from Reserve		2.00
Labor	$218.62	
Trucks	47.25	
Loader	12.00	
Mowing Machine	10.00	
Tractor	15.00	
Backhoe	50.00	
Patch	14.00	
Pipe	104.07	
Brush Killer	12.00	
Salt and Sand	507.94	
Use of Town Tools	11.12	
	$1,002.00	$1,002.00

Chapter 90 — Construction, Main Street

Balance from 1959		$146.53
Labor	$110.43	

Trucks	6.10	
Tractor	30.00	
	$146.53	$146.53

Chapter 90 — Construction, Washington St. — 1959 Account

Balance from 1959		$12,595.32
Labor	$2,773.60	
Trucks	4,666.25	
Shovel	2,424.15	
Bulldozer	1,855.00	
Tractor	69.00	
Power Saw	28.00	
Backhoe	87.50	
Pipe	622.06	
Cement	55.62	
Lumber	14.14	
Total expenditures	$12,595.32	$12,595.32

Chapter 90 — Construction, Washington Street

Appropriation		$5,000.00
State Allotment		10,000.00
County Allotment		5,000.00
Labor	$3,214.35	
Trucks	2,004.00	
Shovel	1,177.35	
Bulldozer	317.00	
Tractor	240.00	
Backhoe	360.00	
Grader	802.00	
Roller	308.00	
Oil	349.51	
Hot Top	5,208.12	
Guard Rail	1,664.80	
Pipe	1,094.81	
Cement	297.76	
Sand and Gravel	600.65	
Frames and Grates	185.32	

Kerosene	17.10	
Bounds	150.00	
Use of Town Tools	7.00	
Total expenditures	$17,997.77	
Balance to 1961	2,002.23	
	$20,000.00	$20,000.00

Crescent Circle and Woodland Drive

Guaranteed Deposit		$1,571.19
Labor	$258.60	
Trucks	210.00	
Shovel	126.00	
Grader	164.00	
Power Saw	3.50	
Oil	138.47	
Sand and Gravel	493.70	
Use of Town Tools	2.00	
Total expenditures	$1,396.27	
Balance to 1961	174.92	
	$1,571.19	$1,571.19

Middleton Road

Appropriation		$2,000.00
Labor	$447.50	
Trucks	324.00	
Grader	172.00	
Roller	60.00	
Tractor	24.00	
Sand and Gravel	386.45	
Oil	578.05	
Use of Town Tools	8.00	
Total expenditures	$2,000.00	$2,000.00

Spofford Road

Appropriation		$1,000.00
Labor	$211.45	

Trucks	214.50	
Grader	104.00	
Roller	30.00	
Tractor	3.00	
Gravel	211.49	
Oil	221.56	
Use of Town Tools	4.00	
	$1,000.00	$1,000.00

Chapter 81 — Maintenance

Appropriation		$3,000.00
State Allotment		16,500.00
Labor	$8,064.70	
Trucks	2,394.50	
Shovel	21.00	
Grader	190.00	
Backhoe	266.00	
Tractors	422.50	
Power Saws	16.00	
Sand and Gravel	1,987.11	
Oil	4,493.52	
Signs	24.33	
Sander	270.25	
Mower	246.00	
Tools	49.46	
Patch	691.59	
Pipe	90.00	
Repairs	61.16	
Use of Town Tools	211.88	
Total expenditures	$19,500.00	$19,500.00

Snow Removal and Sanding

Appropriation		$10,000.00
Transfer from Reserve		1,308.80
Labor	$4,768.40	
Trucks	1,186.75	
Trucks and Plows	1,831.00	

Sander	726.75	
Tractor	318.00	
Loader	50.00	
Repairs	13.52	
Sand and salt	1,850.38	
Use of Town Tools	564.00	
Total expenditures	$11,308.80	$11,308.80

Road Machinery Maintenance

Appropriation		$2,000.00
Transfer from Road Machinery Fund		500.00
Labor	$170.30	
Truck	2.25	
Gasoline and oil	60.46	
Repairs	574.29	
Equipment	1,498.36	
Light	54.17	
Tools	103.31	
Supplies	24.45	
Total expenditures	$2,487.59	
Balance to Road Machinery Fund	12.41	
	$2,500.00	$2,500.00

Street Lighting

Appropriation		$850.00
Street Lights	$747.96	
Balance to revenue	102.04	
	$850.00	$850.00

Highway Vacation Account

Appropriation		$1,000.00
Vacation Payrolls	$783.20	
Balance to revenue	216.80	
	$1,000.00	$1,000.00

Sick Benefit

Transfer from Reserve		$200.00
Pay Rolls	$148.20	
Balance to revenue	51.80	
	$200.00	$200.00

SCHOOLS AND LIBRARIES

All Schools

Appropriation		$114,706.34
Refund		95.00
Teachers' Salaries:		
School Teachers	$59,118.62	
Substiutes	4,511.00	
Supervisors	3,743.64	
Home Instruction	150.50	
Superintendence:		
Salary	3,564.80	
Clerk	1,478.80	
Expense	364.24	
Health:		
Nurse	808.36	
Physician	490.00	
Supplies	51.25	
Tuition	126.68	
Transportation	14,344.52	
Miscellaneous:		
Janitors	5,743.28	
Attendance Officers	20.00	
Committee Expense	97.63	
Books	2,994.17	
Supplies	2,037.29	
Fuel	2,468.78	
Electricity	1,591.11	
Telephones	392.82	
Repairs	3,759.88	

Insurance	2,000.00	
Janitor's Supplies	839.28	
Grounds	73.50	
Equipment	1,925.46	
Maintenance	1,637.40	
Rubbish Collection	154.00	
Miscellaneous expense	31.99	
Total expenditures	$114,519.00	
Balance to 1961	282.34	
	$114,801.34	$114,801.34

Cole School Addition

Appropriation-Stabilization Fund		$80,000.00
Contractor	$13,385.70	
Balance to 1961	66,614.30	
	$80,000.00	$80,000.00

Vocational Education

Appropriation		$300.00
Tuition	$220.53	
Balance to revenue	79.47	
	$300.00	$300.00

School Building Committee

Appropriation		$15,000.00
Architect	$10,901.25	
Surveyors	267.79	
Advertising	132.00	
Miscellaneous expense	191.51	
Total expenditures	$11,492.55	
Balance to 1961	3,507.45	
	$15,000.00	$15,000.00

School Lunch Program

Balance from 1959		$986.75
State Grants		2,891.66
Cash		7,301.55
Salaries	$3,159.50	
Food	6,777.34	
Total expenditures	$9,936.84	
Balance to 1961	1,243.12	
	$11,179.96	$11,179.96

Regional District School

Appropriation		$143,276.51
Masconomet Regional District School	$143,276.51	
	$143,276.51	$143,276.51

East Parish Library

Appropriation		$1,350.00
Half dog license refund from County		202.56
Interest from Library Funds		139.32
Operation expense refunded to Association	$1,691.88	
	$1,691.88	$1,691.88

West Parish Library

Appropriation		$550.00
Half dog license refund from County		202.57
Interest from Library Funds		121.66
Operating expense refunded to Association	$874.23	
	$874.23	$874.23

UNCLASSIFIED

Town Halls

Appropriation	$1,700.00
Transfer from Reserve	203.77

Janitors	$152.25	
Fuel	421.28	
Light	295.91	
Telephone	295.68	
Repairs	102.34	
Supplies	6.31	
Painting	630.00	
Total expenditures	$1,903.77	$1,903.77

Public Grounds

Appropriation		$350.00
Care of Public Grounds	$116.50	
Balance to revenue	233.50	
	$350.00	$350.00

Town Forest

Appropriation		$200.00
Labor	199.50	
Balance to revenue	.50	
	$200.00	$200.00

Soldier's Graves

Appropriation		$225.00
East Parish Cemeteries	$100.00	
West Parish Cemeteries	100.00	
Total expenditures	$200.00	
Balance to revenue	25.00	
	$225.00	$225.00

Harmony Cemetery

Appropriation		$50.00
Maintenance	$50.00	
	$50.00	$50.00

Boxford Village Cemetery

Appropriation		$150.00
Maintenance	$150.00	
	$150.00	$150.00

Mt. Vernon Cemetery

Appropriation		$50.00
Maintenance	$50.00	
	$50.00	$50.00

Memorial Day

Appropriation		$300.00
American Legion Post	$300.00	
	$300.00	$300.00

Clerical

Appropriation		$500.00
Clerical	$499.50	
Balance to revenue	.50	
	$500.00	$500.00

Town Reports

Appropriation		$800.00
Town Reports	$761.40	
Delivery	30.00	
Total expenditures	$791.40	
Balance to revenue	8.60	
	$800.00	$800.00

275th Anniversary

Appropriation		$875.00
Plates	$589.42	
Tickets	23.00	

Use of Masconomet	193.50	
Miscellaneous expense	34.18	
Total expenditures	$840.10	
Balance to revenue	34.90	
	$875.00	$875.00

Civil Defense

Balance from 1959		$7.92
Appropriation		400.00
Transfer from Insurance		150.00
Director's Salary	$50.00	
Fire	80.84	
Communications	115.47	
Ambulance expense	201.48	
Telephone	94.10	
Director's expenses	10.05	
Total expenditures	$551.94	
Balance to 1961	5.98	
	$557.92	$557.92

Contingency Fund

Appropriation		$500.00
Transfer from Reserve		14.70
Use of Clay's Beach	$120.00	
Labor	253.50	
Trucks	18.00	
Power Saws	8.00	
Civil Defense	20.20	
Amplifier for Town Meeting	95.00	
	$514.70	$514.70

Interest and Amortization of School Loan

Appropriation		$9,200.00
Interest	$2,112.50	

Payment on Principal	7,000.00	
Total expenditures	$9,112.50	
Balance to revenue	87.50	
	$9,200.00	$9,200.00

Reserve Fund

Appropriation from Overlay Fund		$5,000.00
Total Transfers	$2,906.96	
Balance to Overlay Reserve	2,093.04	
	$5,000.00	$5,000.00

Insurance

Appropriation		$5,000.00
Compensation	$910.54	
Liability	1,615.42	
Fire	695.54	
Motor Vehicle	256.64	
Accident	544.20	
Total expenditures	$4,032.34	
Transfer to Civil Defense	150.00	
	$4,182.34	
Balance to revenue	817.66	
	$5,000.00	$5,000.00

Respectfully submitted,

BARBARA C. PERLEY,

Town Accountant

REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER

The Receipts and Disbursements in the General Cash Account for the year 1960 were as follows:

Balance, January 1, 1960		$251,745.99
S. S. Pearl, Collector	$375,995.41	
Commonwealth of Massachusetts:		
Highways	25,734.70	
Education	36,299.93	
Taxes	13,765.39	
Old Age Assistance, grants	15,617.19	
Aid to Dep. Children, grants	3,260.06	
Disability Assistance, grants	3,133.66	
Veterans' Benefits	957.22	
Animal Inspection	25.00	
Snow Removal, Routes 97 and 133	33.75	
School Lunch Program	2,891.66	
County of Essex:		
Highways	6,349.08	
Dog License refund	405.13	
Trust Funds, Income	2,453.24	
Departmental receipts	2,990.55	
Licenses and permits	3,182.00	
Income from town property	256.00	
Federal Withholding Tax Account	14,615.64	
State Withholding Tax Account	1,013.62	
Departmental refunds	708.82	
School Lunch Program	7,301.55	
County Retirement Account	2,112.33	
Court Fines	207.00	
Telephone refunds and commission	118.20	
Miscellaneous	2.73	
Interest	3,233.76	
Insurance on Cruiser	2,373.52	

Guaranteed Deposit—Crescent Circle	1,571.19	
Stabilization Fund	80,000.00	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		$606,608.33
		$858,354.32
Disbursements:		
Treasury Warrants as issued by Accountant and approved by Selectmen		$564,999.32
Balance, December 31, 1960		$293,355.00

For a more detailed statement of Receipts and Disbursements, see report of Town Accountnant.

REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS AND ACCOUNTS

STABILIZATION FUND

Georgetown Savings Bank, Interest	$187.50
Salem Savings Bank, Interest	468.75
Salem 5c Savings Bank, Interest	545.22
Warren Five Cents Savings Bank, Interest	187.51

TOWN FARM FUND

There are deposited in the safe deposit vault of the Danvers Savings Bank, United States Treasury Bonds, par value $6,500.00.

$6,500.00 U.S. Treasury Bonds, 2½'s, 70/65	$6,500.00
Danvers Savings Bank, Book 14805:	
On deposit January 1, 1960	7,503.17
Interest for the year 1960	274.44
Balance January 1, 1961	$7,777.61

Interest from the above bonds is deposited in the banks as follows:

Lawrence Savings Bank, Book 82858:	
On deposit, January 1, 1960	$138.56
Interest for the year 1960	4.87
Balance January 1, 1961	$143.43

Salem Five Cents Savings Bank, Book 28764:	
On deposit January 1, 1960	$15,613.30
Interest on U.S. Treasury Bonds	162.50
Savings Bank Interest for 1961	575.47
Balance January 1, 1961	$16,351.27
Salem Savings Bank, Book 99618:	
On deposit January 1, 1960	$8,141.68
Interest for the year 1960	308.15
Balance January 1, 1961	$8,449.83

POST WAR REHABILITATION FUND

Interest from U.S. bonds was deposited in the Danvers Savings Bank, Book 15573:

On deposit January 1, 1960	$1,925.21
Interest for the year 1960	70.40
Balance January 1, 1961	$1,995.61
Georgetown Savings Bank, Book 11752:	
On deposit January 1, 1960	$2,601.31
Interest for the year 1960	95.13
Balance January 1, 1961	$2,696.44

SARAH P. PERLEY FUND

Andover Savings Bank, Book 38221:	
On deposit January 1, 1960	$2,160.50
Interest for the year 1960	73.82
	$2,234.41
Withdrawn	140.00
Balance January 1, 1961	$2,094.41

CURTIS AND KILLAM BURIAL LOT FUND

Danvers Savings Bank, Book 8600:	
On deposit January 1, 1960	$283.91

Interest for the year 1960	11.19
Deposit	50.55
	$345.65
Withdrawn	6.00
Balance January 1, 1961	$339.65

EAST PARISH LIBRARY FUND

Lawrence Savings Bank, Book 107894:	
On deposit January 1, 1960	$2,000.00
Interest for the year 1960	70.61
	$2,070.61
Withdrawn	70.61
Balance January 1, 1961	$2,000.00
Salem Five Cents Savings Bank, Book 30898:	
On deposit January 1, 1960	$1,500.00
Interest for the year 1960	68.71
	$1,568.71
Withdrawn	68.71
Balance January 1, 1961	$1,500.00

WEST PARISH LIBRARY FUND

Lawrence Savings Bank, Book 107895:	
On deposit January 1, 1960	$1,500.00
Interest for the year 1960	52.95
	$1,552.95
Withdrawn	52.95
Balance January 1, 1961	$1,500.00

Salem Five Cents Savings Bank, Book 30896:	
On deposit January 1, 1960	$1,500.00
Interest for the year 1960	68.71
	$1,568.71
Withdrawn	68.71
Balance January 1, 1961	$1,500.00

EAST PARISH LIBRARY COTE FUND

Danver Savings Bank, Book 10319:	
On deposit January 1, 1960	$1,104.94
Interest for the year 1960	40.40
Balance January 1, 1961	$1,145.34

BOXFORD VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION

Danvers Savings Bank, Book 9224:	
On deposit January 1, 1960	$1,133.70
Interest for the year 1960	41.45
Balance January 1, 1961	$1,175.15

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL FUNDS

For the year ending December 31, 1960

The funds are invested in the following Savings Banks:

Salem Five Cents Savings Bank Book No. 11474	$1,000.00
Danvers Savings Bank Book No. 5501	2,000.00
Salem Savings Bank Book No. 83786	1,000.00
Haverhill Savings Bank Book No. T 2437	410.59
Total amount of fund	$4,410.59

The interest on the above funds has been sent to the Town Treasurer by check as follows:

Salem Five Cents Savings Bank	$36.26
Danvers Savings Bank	72.50
Salem Savings Bank	37.50
Total	$146.26

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY E. TRASK
RICHARD P. CHADWICK
AMY G. PARKHURST
Committee on School Funds

All of the bonds and bank books for the preceding Trust Funds are in the custody of the Town Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

LUCY K. PARKHURST,
Treasurer

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF BOXFORD

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1960

SCHOOL OFFICIALS

Donald C. Hammond, Chairman — Term Expires 1962
Mill Road, Boxford — Tel. TU 7-5882

LeRoy E. Curtis, Secretary — Term Expires 1963
Ipswich Road, West Boxford — Tel. FL 2-2566

David S. Waters — Term Expires 1961
Cross Road, Boxford — Tel. TU 7-5621

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Herbert S. Rouisse
Kinsman's Lane, Topsfield — Tel. TU 7-2996

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Fred J. Nahil, M.D.
67 Central Street, Georgetown — Tel. FL 2-3081

SCHOOL NURSE

Miss Ruth Barnard, R.N.
Valley Road, Topsfield — Tel. TU 7-5636

SUPERVISORS OF ATTENDANCE

Archer French
Boxford

Clayton Nelson
West Boxford

TEACHERS' DIRECTORY

As of January 1, 1961

Name	Grade or Subject	School	Appointment	Graduate of
Joseph Ritchie	Principal	Cole	1956	Boston College
Gladys MacPherson	6	Cole	1942	Plymouth, N.H. State College
Mary Welch	6	Cole	1958	Bridgewater State College
Dorothea D'Agostino	5	Cole	1960	Farmington State College
Ruth Morin	5	Cole	1950	Hyannis State College
Patricia Gove	3	Cole	1960	Salem State College
Jean C. Pencheff	3	Cole	1961	University of Tennessee
Lelia Millay	1	Cole	1944	Farmington State College
Geraldine West	1	Cole	1958	Salem State College
Helen Chadwick	4	Wood	1955	Bridgewater State College
Geraldine Drummey	4	Wood	1960	Lowell State College
Dorothy Carver	2	Morse	1939	Salem State College
Carol Mansfield	2	Morse	1960	Salem State College
Rita Wade	2	Morse	1960	Boston State College
Marie Audet	3	Com. House	1959	Salem State College
George Lane	Art		1960	Museum of Fine Arts
Helen Hayden	Music		1958	N.E. Conservatory of Music

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

The members of the School Committee are pleased to submit to the citizens of Boxford their annual report for the year ending December 31, 1960.

Unquestionably the most significant events of the past year concerning the administration of the local schools have been the development of the new School Union No. 58 including the towns of Boxford and Topsfield and the decision by the town to build an addition to the Harry L. Cole School.

The coordinating of the elementary school systems of Boxford and Topsfield has resulted in a higher degree of efficiency and provided improved standardization in preparing students for their secondary training at the Masconomet Regional School. This has been achieved not only through the unified administration of the two systems featuring such activities as the teachers' workshops, the pooling of resources, and the exchange of professional ideas, but also through the overall, careful planning between the administrators of the elementary and regional schools. It has become obvious to the committee that the Union was most fortunate to obtain the services of Dr. Herbert A. Rouisse as superintendent to initiate and guide these actions. His excellent background in elementary education in addition to his capable ability as an administrator has equipped him to contribute many advances to the system and to establish desirable goals for future committees to consider. These goals which relate primarily to services found in many school systems are presented in the superintendent's report and will require study regarding our community's ability to provide them.

On April 2, 1960 the Board of Selectmen appointed the following four citizens to serve with the members of the school committee on the School Building Committee: C. Dana Cahoon, Frederick B. Monell, Jr., Harry E. Trask and E. Arthur Woodbury. Mr. Cahoon and David S. Waters were elected chairman and secretary respectively. All of these gentlemen have served the town exceedingly well, giving generously of their time and talents. After very careful preliminary work, the archi-

tectural firm of S. W. Haynes and Associates, Inc., was engaged and at a special town meeting on October 26, the citizens authorized the committee to proceed with plans as prepared and submitted by the architect to construct an addition to the present Harry L. Cole School consisting of seven classrooms and a remedial reading room, as well as improvements to the existing clinic, kitchen, teachers' room, and storage facilities. It is anticipated that this construction will be completed by September, 1962 and although projections indicate that increased school enrollment will return shortly as a major problem, the committee feels that the new addition will expand the Cole School to its best and most efficient use and serve as the quickest means for providing school rooms. The school committee is anxious that the present building committee, or a new one, continue to study the question of school building needs in order to prepare recommendations and plans for future expansion.

The year 1960 represents the period when a number of school policies were either established or clarified. The school committee adopted the Salary Schedule for Teaching Personnel, which will become effective September 1, 1961. This schedule is intended to serve as a guide in a planned method of payment for teaching personnel, and it offers a basic plan of payment, with regular increases determined by the experience and training of the individual teacher. It is designed to provide a compensation policy which will be competitive with surrounding communities. A Sick Leave Policy for Teaching Personnel was adopted and made effective as of April 28, 1960. A policy for the use of the school facilities was established, which requires that an application be filed with the school principal and that a custodian be on duty whenever the buildings are used during other than regular school hours. This policy also establishes a schedule of rental fees.

At the request of the school committee, the question of increasing the committee from three to five members was placed before the voters. As a result, the committee will be increased to the larger number at the next election. This should provide

better representation, make a quorum more readily available, and spread the work among more citizens.

In conclusion the members of the committee recognize and appreciate the very high degree of cooperation and devotion on the part of the faculty and staff of the school department.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD C. HAMMOND, Chairman
LeROY E. CURTIS, JR., Secretary
DAVID S. WATERS
School Committee

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Members of the School Committee

Sirs:

I herewith submit my first annual report for your consideration.

It is only prudent that a new superintendent spend a significant portion of his first year in becoming acquainted with the personnel, studying the curriculum as it appears, and familiarizing himself with the physical plant and facilities available in the school system. Through this he must provide himself with a background of the assets and needs of the school organization that will help him in future planning and administration. This I have attempted to do.

Personnel

During the year, several teacher resignations were given, bringing about a considerable change in personnel. In addition, two teachers were appointed to fill newly established positions necessitated by the growing pupil population. Six teachers joined the school staff in 1960.

Such a changing, growing staff brings the need for greater administrative time spent in securing personnel, the need for a larger program of orientation, the need for more supervision, the need for well developed operating procedures to provide continuity, and the need for curriculum guides, which will help orient new personnel to the system and which will provide for greater continuity in curriculum offering. While much attention is being given all these areas, the last mentioned will receive particular emphasis during the months and years ahead.

Facilities

The upward surge of pupil population increased the demand on an already overtaxed school plant. Classes have been continued in the Community House and the basement room at the Morse School. The stage at the Cole School has been utilized for the sixth grade since September. With the antici-

pated completion of the addition to the Cole School in September, 1961, the housing problem appears to be solved for the present. However, it should be noted that this is but a temporary solution. In 1963 or 1964, assuming a continuance of the population growth, additional facilities will be necessary. It is imperative that the present excellent building committee be continued or a new committee created. Adequate time for full study and consideration of this major town problem should be given. The next decision will doubtless be more difficult to make than was this recent decision to add to the Cole School.

Efforts have been made to maintain the present facilities in good condition, creating a proper learning environment and preserving the value of these structures. The exterior of the Morse School was painted. Considerable interior painting was done at the Cole School and the Morse School. One half of the roof of the Wood School was reshingled. Deteriorated galvanized iron plumbing in the Wood School has been replaced with copper piping. Toilet ventilation systems in both the Wood School and the Morse School have been put into working condition.

In these days of high construction costs, a high level maintenance program will help keep operating costs to a reasonable minimum, will prolong the life of the buildings, and will furnish safer and more attractive school buildings for our children.

It should be noted that the school buildings are made available to various community groups and serve to a considerable extent as a community center for the people of Boxford.

A partial listing of groups which have used the school facilities includes the Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, the Parent Teacher Association, dance classes, and town officials. Thus the town of Boxford receives a direct benefit from the school buildings beyond regular school purposes. A certain expense therein involved is included in the school budget.

Steps Forward

Under the direction of the elementary school principal, several changes have been instituted during the year.

A new report card has been developed by the staff in an effort to give a more comprehensive report to parents on the

school progress of their children. Brief experience with this card indicates greater satisfaction on the part of both parents and teachers.

A new impetus has been given to the provision of needed supplementary texts and reference materials. Approximately 300 books specifically related to the science and social studies curriculum, have been purchased. These books are being catalogued and prepared for classroom use by a committee of parent workers and will serve as a nucleus for our proposed school library.

A permanent reading record for each pupil has been instituted. With this, pupil progress in this key skill will be more easily evaluated. Better grouping, more accurate placement in reading level, and the provision of more suitable texts should be effected.

To accompany the basal reader system already in use, a co-basal reader program has been instituted. The use of this co-basal reader will provide fresh reading material at the proper level for those pupils reading below grade level.

A new cumulative record system has been put into use. This system was developed by the staffs of the Boxford, Middleton and Topsfield elementary schools and of the Masconomet Regional High School to provide a uniform system of records for all pupils entering the secondary school from the three towns.

A Look Ahead

The task of public education has grown rapidly. Not only has the scope of activities broadened considerably, but the very fields of knowledge themselves have grown tremendously. The field of science is an outstanding example. Some authorities estimate that the field of chemistry is doubling the amount of knowledge every eight years. History is being written every year at a compounding rate. It becomes obvious that even with an increase in the learning rate brought about by improved instructional methods and even with a greater degree of selectivity in what shall be included in our curriculum, we cannot keep pace with this rapid expansion in knowledge.

Thus, there must be a reorientation in our thinking to so educate a student that he can educate himself. In the world of an early tomorrow, and indeed in the world of today, almost all people will be seeking new knowledge all their lives. Thus our young people must be guided, from early years, to teach themselves and to accept responsibility for setting and attaining individual goals.

The best we can do, in the face of this growing knowledge and changing world is to do everything possible to prepare our problems face to face with all the strength, the eagerness, and the capacity which their training as significant individuals and their heritage as free men will supply. Whatever our future will be, it will be the sum total of each individual's dedication and effort.

What are some of the accomplishments we should be looking forward to in an effort to keep pace with the changing times and to present an ever better educational program for our children? These are some of the targets at which we will aim during the months and years ahead:

1. An elementary school library program, properly housed and effectively operated.
2. A remedial reading program.
3. A remedial speech program.
4. An instrumental music program.
5. An elementary school guidance program.
6. A wider testing program, making greater use of individual and diagnostic testing.
7. A codification of school policies and regulations.
8. An improved physical education program.
9. The provision of adequate materials and organization to afford wider opportunity for our more academically talented youngsters.
10. The development of curriculum guides.

In Conclusion

To serve without remuneration on a school committee is civic service of the highest order. The Boxford School Committee, in carrying on its work, has sought always to do what is best for the children of Boxford and the town of Boxford.

I am mindful, too, of the members of the school staff, teaching and non-teaching. Even though many reside outside of Boxford, there still pervades a feeling of allegiance to and pride in Boxford. To them, serving in our schools is more than a job.

To both the school committee and the staff I extend my appreciation for their efforts of the past year and I offer them the greater challenge and promise of the next year.

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT A. ROUISSE

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL PHYSICIAN AND SCHOOL NURSE

To the Superintendent of Schools and the School Committee of the Town of Boxford, Mass.

We herewith submit our annual report as school physician and school nurse.

School Enrollment:

In anticipation of the largest entering class for first grade it was decided to hold a registration day in May. At this time the birth and vaccination certificates were checked and appointments made for examinations to be done by the school physician. This eliminated waiting by parents who wished to have their children examined by the family physician.

Physical Examination:

During the school year, 97 children from the first and fourth grades had physical examinations. Seventy-six of these were routine examinations made by the school physician. This included 19 pre-school check-ups at the May clinic. As a result of this thorough school examination, 2 children were referred for further study to the family doctor.

Vision and Hearing Tests:

During the annual vision check, 305 pupils were tested and there were 11 failures. Four children were seen and accepted as correct referrals by eye specialists. The remainder of failures were under routine annual care. Of this same number of ear tests, two pupils were seen by an ear specialist.

Influenza Inoculations:

During the months of October and November, 20 influenza inoculations were administered to all teachers, cafeteria workers and janitors desiring to be immunized.

Diphtheria-tetanus Clinic:

Booster shots of diphtheria-tetanus toxoid were given to 56 pupils in the first and fourth grades.

T. B. Patch Testing:

Patch testing for tuberculosis susceptibility will be done in the first and fourth grades in the spring of the year. By following this routine each child in school is checked every four years.

Respectfully submitted,

RUTH BARNARD, R.N.
FRED J. NAHIL, M.D.

ENROLLMENT OCTOBER 1, 1960

HARRY LEE COLE

Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	Totals
Boys	32		17		25	20	94
Girls	31		12		23	25	91
Total	63		29		48	45	185

AARON WOOD

Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	Totals
Boys				32			32
Girls				21			21
Total				53			53

GARDNER MORSE

Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	Totals
Boys		37					37
Girls		34					34
Total		71					71

COMMUNITY HOUSE

Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	Totals
Boys			17				17
Girls			11				11
Total			28				28

SCHOOL CENSUS

Ages	5-7	7-16	16-21	Totals
Boys	44	235	33	312
Girls	35	215	28	278
Total	79	450	61	590

NO-SCHOOL SIGNAL

No-school announcements will be broadcast over WBZ, WNAC, WHAV and WESX between 7:00 and 7:30 A.M., if

there is no school for the day. Announcements regarding No-School are made by the Boxford Superintendent for the elementary schools only. Announcements for the Masconomet Regional High School will be made by the Regional Superintendent and will be so designated.

In addition, three long blasts will be given on the local fire alarm in Boxford Village and West Boxford at 7:15 A.M. to designate No-School for the elementary classes for the day.

During stormy or extremely cold weather, parents are urged to exercise their own judgment in sending their children to school.

REIMBURSEMENTS FOR 1960

General School Fund, Chapter 70	$18,628.09
Union Superintendent of Schools	1,471.63
All School Transportation	11,230.40
	$31,330.12

BOXFORD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BUDGET FOR 1961

1. GENERAL EXPENSES		
School Committee		
Salary of Clerk	$ 300.00	
Expenses of Committee	150.00	
Superintendent		
Salary	3,780.00	
Travel within state	232.00	
Travel without state	74.00	
Salary of Clerk	1,278.00	
Office Expenses	350.00	
Census	75.00	
Attendance Officers	20.00	
		$ 6,259.00
2. EXPENSES OF INSTRUCTION		
Supervisors	$11,023.00	
Supervisor's Expense	200.00	

Teachers		
Elementary	73,317.00	
Substitutes	900.00	
Home Teachers	400.00	
Textbooks	2,130.00	
Supplies		
Elementary	2,100.00	
Physical Education	200.00	
Audio Visual	300.00	
Guidance	150.00	
Remedial Reading	180.00	
		$90,900.00

3. OPERATION OF PLANT

Janitors' Salaries	$ 6,165.00	
Fuel	3,700.00	
Light and Power	1,980.00	
Janitors' Supplies	785.00	
Telephones	275.00	
Reimbursable Janitors' Salaries	550.00	
Rubbish Collection and Snow Removal	220.00	
Contingency	300.00	
		$13,975.00

4. MAINTENANCE

Specific Repairs and Replacements	$ 1,953.00	
Emergency Repairs	2,550.00	
		$ 4,503.00

5. AUXILIARY AGENCIES

Health		
Nurse	$ 817.00	
Physician	400.00	
Medical Supplies	50.00	
Transportation	16,430.00	
Educational Trips	200.00	
Vocational Transportation	200.00	

Tuition	500.00	
Teachers' Workshop	100.00	
Insurance	2,445.00	
School Library	350.00	
Matching Funds — Title III	200.00	
Contingency	300.00	
		$ 22,002.00

6. OUTLAY

New Equipment	$ 1,381.00
	$139,020.00

ESTIMATED REIMBURSEMENTS 1961

General School Funds, Chapter 70	$38,767.47	
Union Superintendent of Schools	1,306.00	
All School Transportation	14,670.00	
		$54,743,47
LOCAL NET COST		$84,276.53

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Relief for the homeowner-real estate taxpayer is not in sight. The year 1961 will see our tax rate at a new high. All officials and departments have done well in curtailing spending by practicing various economies. And yet, the cost of government, especially as it pertains to schools, steadily increases.

Actually, our financial problems are no different than those of other towns. Yet if local real estate tax relief were sought through assistance from the State level, other forms of taxes would surely be visited upon us. A "sales tax" could be one form of relief, but a legislature, first, must be compelled to act, which is most unlikely in the next few years.

This year, the Planning Board offers for your consideration a master plan, the result of much study, research and effort. Planned growth is essential to a vigorous, attractive, financially sound, country town such as ours. The considered judgment of the men of ability who make up our Board is deserving of the support of all of the citizens.

Again, unlike so many towns, Boxford citizens are entitled to participate directly in town government by attendance at Town Meeting. Study the Town Report! Attend Town Meeting!

Respectfully submitted,

JEROME F. ALDRICH
THEODORE B. AUSTIN
THOMAS E. CARGILL, JR.
GERRIT FORT, JR.
BRUNO E. PREVOST
Finance Committee

WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Essex, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Boxford, in said County.

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Boxford qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs to meet in the Masconomet Regional School, Boxford, on Monday, the sixth day of March next, at 8:00 o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

Article 1. To hear and act on the reports of the Town Officers and Committees.

Article 2. To act on the suggested budget and see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the use of the several departments for the current year, to wit: Schools, Highways and Bridges, Charities, Health, Veterans' Benefits, Street Lighting, Moth Suppression, Memorial Day, Forest Warden, Town Halls, Elections, Interest on Loans, Sealer of Weights and Measures, Town Clerk, Accountant, Selectmen and all other necessary and proper expenses arising during said year.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $500.00 for the maintenance of Road Machinery, said amount to be transferred from the Road Machinery Fund.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate $5,000.00 for the Reserve Fund, said amount to be transferred from Overlay Reserve.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1961, and to issue

a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

Article 6. To allow bills of charge and to raise and appropriate money for paying the same.

Article 7. To see what compensation the Town will vote to pay for labor in the several departments for the ensuing year.

Article 8. To appropriate $391.84 refunded from the County on account of dog licenses for libraries or schools.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,100.00 to be divided equally between the two libraries of the Town for use toward the maintenance of said libraries; or take any action relative thereto.

Article 10. To see if the Town will accept the provisions of Chapter 760 of the Acts of 1960 relative to State Aid for Public Libraries.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $89.00, or any other suitable sum, to purchase a radio receiver for the West Boxford Fire House; this to be on the Boxford Fire frequency.

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Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Surplus Revenue the sum of $34,500.00 to meet the State and County allotments for highways, the money when reimbursed to be credited to Surplus Revenue.

Article 16. To see whether the Town will accept as a public way or street, Lantern Lane, so-called.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,000.00 or other suitable sum for the purchase of a highway "broom" for the use of the highway department.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,250.00 or other suitable sum for the purchase of a sander for the use of the highway department.

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Article 20. To see whether the Town will accept the provisions of Chapter 647 of the Acts of 1960 relative to increasing certain retirement allowances and pensions.

Article 21. To see if the Town will enact the following by-laws:

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Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,500.00 to finish the fire house in West Boxford and build a cement or cinder-block room to house the furnace.

Article 23. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

You are hereby ordered to notify and warn said qualified voters to meet in Lincoln Hall, West Boxford, on Tuesday,

the seventh day of March next, for the following purposes, viz: To choose by ballot the following Town Officers for the ensuing year: Moderator for one year; Selectman for three years; Collector of Taxes for one year; Assessor of Taxes for three years; Town Treasurer for three years; Two members of the School Committee for three years; one member of the School Committee for two years; one member of the Board of Health for three years; Surveyor of Highways, East Parish, for one year; Surveyor of Highways, West Parish, for one year; Tree Warden for one year; Constable, East Parish, for one year; Constable, West Parish, for one year; two members of the Planning Board for five years; one member of the Regional District School Committee for one year.

THE POLLS WILL BE OPEN AT 12:00 NOON AND WILL CLOSE AT 8:00 P.M.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof at each of the public meeting houses in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this seventeenth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixty-one.

HARRY L. COLE
JOHN G. BOLTON
RAYMOND PERLEY
Board of Selectmen

SUGGESTED BUDGET FOR 1961

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Selectmen	$1,450.00
Board of Public Welfare	300.00
Assessors	2,100.00
Treasurer	650.00
Town Clerk	450.00
Collector of Taxes	2,000.00
Town Accountant	2,500.00
Registrars	200.00
Elections	200.00
Planning Board	275.00
Appeal Board	200.00
Building Inspector	900.00
Wire Inspector	850.00
Finance Committee	30.00
Town Counsel	500.00
Board of Health	3,000.00
Inspection of Slaughtering	1,000.00
Inspector of Animals	50.00

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Sealer of Weights and Measures	35.00
Dog Officer	70.00
Police	5,500.00
Forest Warden	2,500.00
Fire Warden	3,000.00
Tree Warden	1,400.00
Moth Suppression	1,500.00
Dutch Elm Disease Control	2,000.00

AID AND RELIEF

Public Welfare	)	
Disability Assistance	)	
Aid to Dependent Children	)	21,000.00
Old Age Assistance	)	

Central Essex Welfare	668.00
Veterans' Benefits	1,500.00

SCHOOLS AND LIBRARIES

School	137,220.00
Vocational Education	300.00
Regional District School	159,280.05

HIGHWAYS

Highways and Bridges, Selectmen's Fund	1,000.00
Chapter #81—Maintenance	3,000.00
Road Machinery Maintenance	1,000.00
Snow Removal and Sanding	11,000.00
Street Lighting	850.00
Highway Vacation Account	1,000.00
Sick Benefit	200.00

UNCLASSIFIED

Town Halls	1,700.00
Public Grounds	300.00
Town Forest	200.00
Civil Defense	450.00
Insurance	5,500.00
Memorial Day	300.00
Soldiers' Graves	225.00
Mt. Vernon Cemetery	50.00
Harmony Cemetery	50.00
Boxford Village Cemetery	150.00
Town Reports	850.00
Clerical	900.00
Selectmen's Contingent Fund	500.00
Interest on Maturing Debt	3,600.00
School House Note	67,000.00

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In Memoriam

JEROME F. ALDRICH

1907 — 1961

Finance Committee Member, 1961

HARRY F. MOORE

1880 — 1961

Surveyor of Lumber, 1908, 1910, 1912

Measurer of Wood and Bark, 1913-1916

Selectman, 1913

Constable, 1919

CLINTON B. NASON

1880 — 1961

Selectman, 1922, 1926-1942

Member of Board of Health, 1931-1946

Inspector of Slaughtering, 1959-1961

TOWN OFFICERS

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Harry L. Cole	Term expires 1962
John G. Bolton	Term expires 1963
Franklin C. Roberts, Jr.	Term expires 1964

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Selectmen

CENTRAL ESSEX WELFARE DISTRICT

Mrs. Phyllis R. Brown, Director

NORTH ANDOVER and BOXFORD DISTRICT DEPT. OF VETERANS' SERVICE

Bernard W. Bingham, District Director

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Harry E. Trask	Term expires 1962
J. Warren Chadwick	Term expires 1963
Harry L. Cole	Term expires 1964

TOWN TREASURER

Lucy K. Parkhurst	Term expires 1961

TOWN CLERK

E. Laurence Colby	Term expires 1962
Barbara C. Perley, Assistant	Term expires 1962

MODERATOR

William J. Greenler, Jr.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES

Simeon S. Pearl

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Donald C. Hammond	Term expires 1962
LeRoy Elliott Curtis, Jr.	Term expires 1963
E. Arthur Woodbury	Term expires 1963
Shirley L. MacGill	Term expires 1964
David S. Waters	Term expires 1964

BOARD OF HEALTH

Harry L. Cole — Term expires 1962
Stephen Maddock, M.D. — Term expires 1963
Raymond Perley — Term expires 1964

TREE WARDEN

Alerson E. Noyes

HIGHWAY SURVEYORS

Clinton E. French
B. Robert Cunningham

CONSTABLES

Nathaniel N. Love, Jr.
Walter H. Gamans, Jr.

CHIEF OF POLICE

Nathaniel N. Love, Jr.

MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

Alerson E. Noyes

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Chester A. Leighton

COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL FUNDS

Amy G. Parkhurst
Harry E. Trask
Richard P. Chadwick

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Barbara C. Perley — Term expires 1962

CHIEF OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Archer N. French

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

William J. Greenler, D.V.M.

INSPECTORS OF SLAUGHTERING

Charles H. Foster
Samuel E. Lawes

TRUANT AND ATTENDANCE OFFICERS

Archer N. French
Clayton A. Nelson

DOG OFFICER

James P. Gray

FOREST WARDEN

Archer N. French

FENCE VIEWERS

Selectmen

REGIONAL DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Merton S. Barrows	Term expires 1963
Hans W. Barber	Term expires 1962

PLANNING BOARD

Charles L. Cotton	Term expires 1962
Charles P. A. Nelson	Term expires 1963
E. Laurence Colby	Term expires 1964
J. Warren Chadwick	Term expires 1965
William E. Dorman	Term expires 1965
Simeon S. Pearl	Term expires 1966
Warren R. Godfrey	Term expires 1966

TRUSTEE OF BOXFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY

Seth L. Kelsey

CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR

Gordon A. Russell

DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF CIVIL DEFENSE

Henry W. Nason

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Henry W. Nason

WIRE INSPECTOR

Herbert W. Sperry

TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE

Robert B. Parkhurst	Term expires 1962
Walter K. Morss	Term expires 1963
Winthrop P. Haynes	Term expires 1964

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Charles Rich	Term expires 1962
Jerome F. Aldrich (Resigned)	Term expires 1962
Bruno E. Prevost	Term expires 1963
Gerrit Fort, Jr.	Term expires 1964
Theodore Austin (Resigned)	Term expires 1965
DeWitt T. Minich	Term expires 1965
Thomas E. Cargill, Jr.	Term expires 1966

TOWN COUNSEL

William J. Greenler, Jr.

APPEAL BOARD

Richard A. Spofford	Term expires 1961
John A. Chew	Term expires 1962
Paul G. Edwards	Term expires 1963

APPEAL BOARD ALTERNATE

Ronald Houldsworth	Term expires 1962

RECREATIONAL COMMITTEE

Benjamin W. Freeman	Term expires 1961
Shirley MacGill	Term expires 1962
A. Gordon Price	Term expires 1962
Marion M. Colby	Term expires 1963
David G. Doughty	Term expires 1963

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Stuart K. Harris	Term expires 1962
Edward L. French	Term expires 1962
Dorothy Woodbury	Term expires 1963
Seth L. Kelsey	Term expires 1963
Marie M. Pinkham (Resigned)	Term expires 1963
Winthrop P. Haynes	Term expires 1964

SPECIAL POLICE

Clinton E. French
Henry W. Nason
Cecil Farnsworth
Ethel Walker
Walter H. Gamans, Jr.
James P. Gray
Charles H. Getchell
Earle Blake
James T. Stromberg
Peter L. Vrettos

RESERVE POLICE FOR CIVIL DEFENSE

Harold R. Johnson
Horace D. Moore
Ernest M. Mortimer
Francis S. Smith
John F. Berg

SWORN WEIGHERS
MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK
SURVEYORS OF LUMBER
FIELD DRIVERS

BOXFORD DATA

The Town of Boxford was incorporated in 1685.

Population (1960 census), 2010.

Area in square miles, 25.39.

Boxford is in the Third Essex Senatorial District and in the Ninth Essex Representative District.

The Senator is Phillip A. Graham, 293 Bridge Street, Hamilton, Massachusetts.

The Representative is Paul G. Zollo, 13 Forest Street, Danvers, Massachusetts.

The Building Inspector is Henry W. Nason, Washington Street, West Boxford. Telephone — Haverhill, DRake 2-2320.

The Wire Inspector is Herbert W. Sperry, Main Street, West Boxford. Telephone — Haverhill, DRake 2-7649.

The Sanitiary Engineer is Tracy I. Flagg, 111 Collins Street, Danvers. Telephone (evenings) — SPring 4-4979.

LIST OF JURORS — 1961-1962

Aldrich, Jerome F., accountant, Ipswich Road, Boxford.

Brooks, Donald A., purchasing agent, Mill Road, Boxford.

Chamberlain, Winthrop W., retired, Georgetown Road, Boxford.

Curtis, LeRoy E., telephone engineer, Ipswich Road, West Boxford.

Davidson, Frank C., mechanic, Cross Road, Boxford.

Freeman, Ben W., engineer, Middleton Road, Boxford.

Galloway, Harold R., engineer, Middleton Road, Boxford.

Gingrande, Arthur, engineer, Herrick Road, Boxford.

Hardy, Frederick O., electrician, Main Street, Boxford.

Hebb, Robert E., contractor, Lake Shore Road, West Boxford.

Hill, George H., vice-pres. B. & M., Lake Shore Road, West Boxford.

Killam, Charles E., construction, Ipswich Road, Boxford.

MacPherson, William E., nurseryman, Ipswich Road, Boxford.

Marsh, John P., lamp manufacturer, Elm Street, Boxford.

Morss, Stanwood R., fruit specialist, Lake Shore Road, West Boxford.

Poor, Robert H., wood worker, Main Street, Boxford.

Price, Rosamond, real estate broker, Washington St., West Boxford.

Shappell, Stanley, engineer, Spofford Road, West Boxford.

Shattuck, Otis E., retired, Ipswich Road, West Boxford.

Weatherbee, Robert S., machinist, Main Street, West Boxford.

Whittaker, Stuart B., engineer, Woodcrest Road, Boxford.

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, MARCH 6, 1961

The voters of Boxford met at the Masconomet Regional District High School, Boxford, on March 6, 1961 at 8 P.M. William J. Greenler, Jr. presided as moderator over the 200 members present.

Before the articles of the warrant were taken up, Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Cole were escorted to the stage, and Seth L. Kelsey, speaking for the townspeople, gave a resumé of Mr. Cole's continuous service to the town, extending over a half century as Selectman, Assessor, Overseer of the Poor, and Member of the Board of Health. Raymond Perley, a long time fellow member of the Board of Selectmen, presented Mr. Cole with an engraved plaque; and Mrs. Cole was presented with a bouquet of red and white carnations by Mrs. Simeon S. Pearl, a friend of many years. The presence of photographers and television men from the metropolitan area demonstrated that Mr. Cole has attained a stature beyond the unquestioned affection of his townspeople.

The articles of the warrant were disposed of as follows:

Article 1. Voted to accept the reports of the various Town Officers and Committees as printed in the annual Town Report.

Article 2. Voted to adopt the suggested budget as printed, with two exceptions: "School" appropriation was increased $1,800.00 to $139,020.00, and $300.00 "Vocational Education" appropriation was eliminated.

Article 3. Voted to appropriate the sum of $500.00 for the maintenance of Road Machinery, said amount to be transferred from the Road Machinery Fund.

Article 4. Voted to appropriate $5,000.00 for the Reserve Fund, said amount to be transferred from Overlay Reserve.

Article 5. Voted to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time

to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1961, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

Article 6. Voted to pass over.

Article 7. Voted to pass over.

Article 8. Voted to appropriate $391.84 refunded from the County on account of dog licenses, to be divided equally between the two libraries of the town.

Article 9. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,100.00 to be divided equally between the two libraries of the Town for use toward maintenance of said libraries.

Article 10. Voted to accept the provisions of Chapter 760 of the Acts of 1960 relative to State Aid for Public Libraries.

Article 11. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $89.00 to purchase a radio receiver for the West Boxford Fire House: this to be on the Boxford Fire Frequency.

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Article 13. Voted to enact the following by-law:

"Owners and drivers of trucks and trailers of ½ ton capacity or over, carrying loose materials over the highways of Boxford, shall be required to have the load properly secured by binders or covers to prevent loose material from flying out.

"Any breach of this by-law shall be punished by a fine of not more than $20.00 on conviction thereof."

The by-law was passed by voice vote without opposition.

Article 14. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $6,000.00 to be used in conjunction with State and County funds to continue the improvement of Topsfield Road and of Washington Street under Chapter 90 with the following restrictions:

"The plan for the improvement of Topsfield Road in the area as surveyed and mapped by the County engineers will

not be accepted without the prior and complete approval of Patrick J. Horgan and Robert H. Poor, both of whom have generously offered to give of their land to the Town for this purpose.

"The extent of the modification of Topsfield Road shall be restricted to the present lands belonging to the aforementioned Horgan and Poor.

"Further, that the balance of the $6,000.00 of Article 14 will be used for the improvement of that section of Washington Street in West Boxford at or near the residence of Henry W. Nason, but will not be used for any changes of roads at or near West Boxford Center."

Article 15. Voted to appropriate from Surplus Revenue the sum of $34,500.00 to meet the State and County Allotments for highways, the money when reimbursed to be credited to Surplus Revenue.

Article 16. Voted to accept Lantern Lane as a public way.

Article 17. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,000.00 for the purchase of a highway broom for the use of the highway department.

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Article 19. Voted to continue the same hours of voting at state and town elections.

Article 20. Voted to accept the provisions of Chapter 647 of the Acts of 1960, relative to increasing certain retirement allowances and pensions.

Article 21. Voted unanimously to enact the following by-law:

"The Selectmen may appoint an inspector of gas piping and gas appliances to enforce rules and regulations adopted under Gen. Laws, Chapter 25, Section 12-H."

Article 22. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of

$1,500.00 to finish the fire house in West Boxford and build a cement or cinder block room to house the furnace.

Article 23. Voted to adjourn at 10:30 P.M.

A true record:

Attest:

E. LAURENCE COLBY,
Town Clerk

BUDGET ADOPTED FOR 1961

Selectmen	$ 1,450.00
Board of Public Welfare	300.00
Assessors	2,100.00
Treasurer	650.00
Town Clerk	450.00
Collector of Taxes	2,000.00
Town Accountant	2,500.00
Registrars	200.00
Elections	200.00
Planning Board	275.00
Appeal Board	200.00
Building Inspector	900.00
Wire Inspector	850.00
Finance Committee	30.00
Town Counsel	500.00
Board of Health	3,000.00
Inspection of Slaughtering	1,000.00
Inspector of Animals	50.000
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Dog Officer	70.00
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Selectmen's Contingent Fund	500.00
Interest on Maturing Debt	3,600.00
School House Note	67,000.00
Total Budget	$453,953.05

OTHER AMOUNTS TO BE RAISED AND APPROPRIATED:

Article 9	$1,100.00	
Article 11	89.00	
Article 12	500.00	
Article 14	6,000.00	
Article 17	1,000.00	
Article 18	2,250.00	
Article 22	1,500.00	12,439.05
Total to be raised and appropriated		$466,392.05

TRANSFERS:

Article 3	$ 500.00	
Article 4	5,000.00	
Article 8	391.84	
Article 15	34,500.00	
Total Transfers		$ 40,391.84

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, NOVEMBER 27, 1961

The Voters of Boxford met at the Masconomet Regional School on November 27, 1961 at 8 P.M. with William J. Greenler, Jr., serving as moderator. After a prayer by Rev. Ellsworth Comins, the articles of the warrant were acted upon as follows:

Article 1. Voted to accept an amendment of the agreement establishing the Masconomet Regional School District initiated by the Regional District School Committee on May 24, 1961, and providing that capital costs will be apportioned in accordance with the number of children residing in each town and receiving education, excepting certain special education, in grades 7 through 12 at such town's expense as of

October 1 next preceding the year for which the apportionment is made, debt service included in capital costs being apportioned as a capital cost of the year in which the same falls due.

Article 2. The School Building Committee reported that it expected to return $19,000 to the town from the money appropriated for the addition to the Harry Lee Cole School.

The Recreation Committee reported that a skating rink has been provided in the Boy Scout Park area.

The Board of Health reported that rabies shots for dogs will be available in the near future.

Article 3. Voted to acquire for school purposes by right of eminent domain if selectmen so choose, or otherwise, the parcel of land adjacent to the present town dump owned by the Paul N. Spofford estate, and to appropriate the sum of $4,000.000 from available funds therefor.

Article 4. Voted to transfer the sum of $185.00 from the Insurance Account to the Vacation Account.

Article 5. Voted to transfer the sum of $251.00 to Snow Removal; $151.00 from Highway Department Sander Account, and $100.00 from Highway Broom Account.

Article 6. Voted to accept the deed of a portion of the Boy Scout Park, negotiated and executed in pursuance to votes at prior meetings.

Article 7. Voted to purchase 21 acres touching on Baldpate Pond for use as a swimming area and park for the sum of $12,875.00, said amount to be transferred from available funds.

Article 8. Voted 137 Yes, 70 No, by secret ballot and use of check list **not** to amend the Zoning By-Law. This action required a two-thirds vote for amendment of the by-law.

Mr. Charles W. Eliot, who has been engaged in drawing up a Master Plan for the town over the last eighteen months, was not permitted to address the meeting because one voter objected. Unanimous consent is required for a non-voter.

Article 9. The town voted to accept as public ways or streets the following:

(1) Pinehurst Drive and Crest Circle in Country Pines subdivision.

(2) Woodcrest Road, Spruce Circle, Redwood Circle, and Beechwood Circle in Boxford Highlands subdivision.

(3) King Richard's Drive, King Arthur's Court, approximately one half mile of King John's Drive to and including Lot 33, and King James' Court in King's Forest subdivision.

(4) Mill Road in Mill Run Subdivision.

All roads were approved by the committee set up for that purpose.

Article 10. The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 p.m.

A true record:

Attest:

E. LAURENCE COLBY
Town Clerk

BIRTHS RECORDED IN 1961 IN BOXFORD

Date	Name	Parents
1960		
Aug. 30 —	Ronald Colby Buell	Robert Colby Buell Evelyn Wetmore
Oct. 4 —	Jeffrey Scott Alvi	Frederick Joseph Alvi Marceline Jakusiak
Nov. 29 —	Thomas Ingalls Price	Alexander G. Price Susan B. Manley
Dec. 2 —	Caroline Olsen Dorman	William E. Dorman Virginia Bohlin
Dec. 23 —	Scott Eric Prevost	Milton E. Prevost Jean E. Williams
Dec. 23 —	Peter Basil Constantine	Basil George Constantine Louise Ann Keddie
Dec. 25 —	Moore	Ronald L. Moore Natalie R. Tidd

Dec. 28	Christine Marie Rennick	Robert Charles Rennick Marjorie Christine Bourque
1961		
Jan. 31	Melinda Lowell	Harry Noyes Lowell Joan Barr
Feb. 5	Robert Wayne Christian	Bobby Wayne Christian Margaret Marie Driscoll
Feb. 5	Robin Marie Christian	Bobby Wayne Christian Marguerite Marie Driscoll
Feb. 12	John Dean Hood	William O. Hood Nancy Penwell
Feb. 19	Amy Louise Noyes	Alerson E. Noyes Katherine Irene Gamble
Feb. 23	Peter Ignatius Chub	Henry Chub Joyce A. Poulin
Mar. 7	Carl Lester Hagen	Richard B. Hagen Marjorie B. McKay
Apr. 3	Theodore Cameron Vrettos	Peter Leo Vrettos Jean Cameron Blakney
Apr. 9	Lawrence White Pinkham	Christopher C. Pinkham Joan M.Trembley
Apr. 29	Kenneth Lawrence Degan	John J. Degan Lorraine F. Doyle
May 1	Matthew John Barry	Roger William Barry Louise Marie Mahoney
May 9	Brenda Lee Ladd	William Bela Ladd Maydora Ide
May 16	Blake Cannon Elliott	Wade T. Elliott Jessie B. Bontecou
May 17	Heather Rae	James Marshall Rae Jane Clark
May 20	Lynda Ann McGinnity	Robert Bernard McGinnity Marlene Jean Vachon
May 22	Alicyn Ann Rotsko	Alexander Rotsko Cynthia Ann Greene
June 2	Anne Quill	Arthur Dennis Quill Mary Rose Lane

June 7 — Katherine Borchert	Carl Florian Borchert Karen Grace Kinder
June 16 — Angela Jeanne Silva	Charles Silva Dorothy C. Bond
June 21 — Jeffrey Alexander DeWolfe	Clyde Alexander DeWolfe Janus Waring
June 24 — Lisa Ann Volz	Robert B. Volz Nancy D. Allen
June 25 — Pamela Jean Lyczko	Felix J. Lyczko Caroline Nowak
July 4 — Julie Anne Hampton	Harold B. Hampton Irene E. Lopes
July 7 — Stacy Brooks Mannheim	John R. Mannheim Elizabeth Ann Cotton
July 11 — Diane Jean Hawley	Robert Eugene Hawley Marcia Lee Cotton
July 14 — Michele Pageau	Joseph A. Pageau Alverna Zukas
July 14 — Linda Ann Nault	Albert E. Nault Gretchen Flanders
July 31 — Kimberly Jones	Stephen Decatur Jones Beverly Allen Ash
Aug. 5 — Kristine Marie Benoit	Richard Paul Benoit Katherine Marie Ricker
Aug. 17 — Lynda Joanne Hoyt	Walter Paul Hoyt, Jr. Raymah Helen Riley
Aug. 31 — Deborah Susan Ingalls	David P. Ingalls Beverly Watt
Sept. 16 — Robin Levesque	Henry A. Levesque Judith C. French
Sept. 29 — Elizabeth French	Edward L. French Phyllis L. Brown
Sept. 29 — Joan Elizabeth MacLennan	Wallace A. MacLennan Elizabeth Hosley
Oct. 6 — Marcia Lynn Hawkes	Robert A. Hawkes Mary Ann Long

Oct. 12 —	Stephen Laurence Perry	Lindsey Richard Perry Barbara Louise Coffin
Oct. 23 —	Gail Hughes Dawson	George Dawson Nancy Ann Blake
Oct. 31 —	Robert Edward King	Richard L. King Eva B. Lundquist
Nov. 7 —	Laurie Beth Stromberg	James T. Stromberg Shirley E. Landergren
Nov. 21 —	Randall Kyle Burley	Dorman Willis Burley Patricia Radcliffe Otto
Nov. 27 —	Nancy Elizabeth Farnsworth	Cecil H. Farnsworth Alice A. Parsons
Dec. 11 —	Barrie Littlefield	Walter A. Littlefield Judith Morse

MARRIAGES RECORDED DURING 1961

Date	Names	Residence
Feb. 3 —	Richard A. Grant	Andover
	Josephine Margaret Van	Boxford
Feb. 11 —	Joseph Nelson Hoyt	Chillicothe, Ohio
	Elizabeth Ann Nelson	Boxford
Mar. 30 —	Murray D. Mills	Concord
	Bonnie Mae Thomson	Boxford
Apr. 29 —	Roderick Rogers	No. Andover
	Patricia Hebb	West Boxford
May 6 —	Masao Yatsuhashi	Brookline
	Joanne Olive Whittaker	Boxford
May 6 —	Charles Arnold Salisbury, Jr.	No. Andover
	Martha Jane Meeker	Boxford
June 17 —	Ronald K. Shaw	Boxford
	Catherine Hubbard Castle	Topsfield
July 1 —	Laurence M. Hubka	Haverhill
	Patricia Gamans	West Boxford

Juy 1 —	James M. Whyte	Western Springs, Ill.
	Harriet L. Edwards	Topsfield
July 29—	Robert T. Amsden	Somerville, N.J.
	Davida B. Morin	West Boxford
Aug. 26 —	Robert C. Lee	Georgetown
	Vicki Louise Peabody	West Boxford
Aug. 27 —	Jerome E. Hyland	New Milford, Conn.
	Kathleen R. Dineen	West Boxford
Sept. 2 —	Richard Holley	Boxford
	Nancy Genest	Boxford
Sept. 24 —	Joseph Francis Walsh, Jr.	No. Andover
	Gloria Emma Berube	West Boxford
Oct. 21 —	Brian Charles Smith	No. Haverhill, N.H.
	Judith Nancy Owen	Boxford

DEATHS RECORDED DURING 1961

Date	Name	Age		
1960		Yrs.	M.	D.
Dec. 3 —	Philip H. Nangle	37	—	—
Dec. 29 —	Florence M. (Brown) Gould	73	6	4
1961				
Feb. 19 —	Kenneth E. Bradbury	66	—	6
Mar. 14 —	Frank Leslie Worthen	82	2	15
Mar. 19 —	Cynthia Lee Bockus	17	7	2
Mar. 29 —	Orrin Clayton Symonds	83	—	5
Apr. 1 —	Clinton Barker Nason	81	7	2
Apr. 3 —	Esther Katharine Perley	59	11	6
Apr. 4 —	Virginia Dworetzky	38	—	—
Apr. 26 —	Pauline B. Crocker	77	10	20
May 15 —	Stephen R. Estes	—	—	—
June 15 —	Baby Girl MacDonald	—	—	—
July 16 —	Julia (Julianna) Bogel	67	—	—
Aug. 3 —	Winburn L. Beals	16	11	19
Aug. 4 —	William Lewis Morris, Jr.	16	—	—
Aug. 8 —	Zora Putnam Wilkins	77	—	—
Sept. 20 —	William H. Gamble	64	1	24
Sept. 29 —	Hazel Estelle (Rogers) Rogers	47	5	29

Oct.	7 — Ann Dearnly Paulson Wilson	77	7	19
Oct.	10 — Harry F. Moore	81	—	25
Oct.	24 — Caroline W. Park	81	9	26
Oct.	28 — James Melburn Portmore	76	7	3
Dec.	4 — John Hitchcock	63	2	26
Dec.	26 — Jerome F. Aldrich	54	9	13

FISH AND GAME LICENSES ISSUED IN 1961

79	Resident Fishing at $4.25	$335.75
68	Resident Hunting at $4.25	289.00
29	Resident Sporting at $7.25	210.25
20	Resident Minor Fishing at $2.25	45.00
13	Resident Female Fishing at $3.25	42.25
2	Non-Resident Fishing (Spec.) at $4.25	8.50
3	Non-Resident Fishing at $8.75	26.25
2	Non-Resident Hunting at $15.25	30.50
4	Sporting (Free)	
1	Archery Stamp at $1.10	1.10
		$988.60
	Less fees	54.10
	Remitted to Division of Fisheries and Game	$934.50

DOG LICENSES ISSUED IN 1961

131	Males at $2.00	$262.00
15	Females at $5.00	75.00
69	Spayed Females at $2.00	138.00
7	Kennels at $10.00	70.00
3	Kennels at $25.00	75.00
		$620.00
	Less fees	56.25
	Remitted to Town Treasurer	$563.75

Respectfully submitted,

E. LAURENCE COLBY,
Town Clerk

REPORT OF BOARD OF ASSESSORS

No. of Persons Assessed	Indiv.	Others	Total
On Personal Estate Only	7	2	10
On Real Estate Only	1,040	24	1,064
On Both Personal and Real Estate	147	3	150
Total Number of Persons Assessed			1,224
Number of Polls Assessed			599

Value of Assessed Personal Estate:		
Stock in Trade	$5,200.00	
Machinery	1,900.00	
Live Stock	4,525.00	
All Other Tangible Personal Property	349,510.00	
Total Value of Assessed Personal Property		$361,135.00
Value of Assessed Real Estate:		
Land Exclusive of Buildings	$583,135.00	
Buildings Exclusive of Land	3,042,305.00	
Total Value of Assessed Real Estate		$3,625,440.00
Total Valuation of Assessed Estate		$3,986,575.00
Tax Rate per $1,000 = $94.00		
Taxes for State, County and Town Purposes, including Overlay:		
On Personal Estate	$33,946.69	
On Real Estate	340,791.36	
On Polls	1,198.00	
Total Taxes Assessed		$375,936.05

Number of Live Stock Assessed:	
Horses (1 year old, or over)	36
Neat Cattle (1 year old, or over)	
Cows (Milch)	85
Yearlings: steers	8
Swine (6 months old or over)	505

Sheep (6 months old or over)	88	
Fowl	18,488	
All Other: Mink — 100 Goat — 2		
Number of Acres of Land Assessed		14,189
Number of Dwelling Houses Assessed		647
Commissioner's Value of Motor Vehicles		$1,037,130.00
Tax on Motor Vehicles Assessed		69,251.54
Number of Motor Vehicles Assessed		1,800

Motor Vehicle Excise Rate = $66.00

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY E. TRASK
J. WARREN CHADWICK
HARRY L. COLE
Board of Assessors

REPORT OF THE COLLECTOR OF TAXES

TAXES — 1958

Uncollected Jan. 1, 1961	$5.31	
Audit Adjustment	7.27	
Abatement		
Real Estate		$5.10
Audit Adjustment		7.48
	$12.58	$12.58

TAXES — 1959

Uncollected Jan. 1, 1961	$1,905.58	
Interest and costs collected	72.65	
Audit adjustment	217.08	
Taxes Collected:		
Poll		$8.00
Real Estate		1,392.48

Personal		17.52
Motor Vehicle Excise		11.09
Interest and costs		72.65
Classified Forest Land		24.09
Abatements		
Poll		8.00
Real Estate		5.48
Personal		36.50
Motor Vehicle Excise		448.87
Audit Adjustment		129.75
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1961		40.88
	$2,195.31	$2,195.31

TAXES — 1960

Uncollected Jan. 1, 1961	$30,651.05	
Motor Vehicle Excise Commitments	9,212.81	
Motor Vehicle Excise Refunds	1,669.72	
Real Estate Refunds	361.90	
Interest Collected	339.07	
Taxes Collected:		
Poll		$58.00
Real Estate		17,763.60
Personal Property		1,143.51
Classified Forest Land		31.02
Farm Animal Excise		25.88
Motor Vehicle Excise		16,839.87
Interest		339.07
Abatements		
Poll		12.00
Real Estate		331.35
Personal Property		9.40
Motor Vehicle Excise		2,702.80
Audit Adjustments		353.62
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1961		2,624.43
	$42,234.55	$42,234.55

TAXES — 1961

Poll Tax Commitments	$1,198.00	
Real Estate Commitments	341,806.56	
Personal Property Commitments	33,956.09	
Classified Forest Land Commitments	81.31	
Farm Animal Excise Commitments	206.97	
Motor Vehicle Excise Commitments	60,073.33	
Real Estate Refunds	944.70	
Motor Vehicle Excise Refunds	1,231.54	
Interest Collected	54.03	
Taxes Collected		
Poll		$1,066.00
Real Estate		312,272.14
Personal Property		32,763.85
Classified Forest Land		58.75
Farm Animal Excise		152.49
Motor Vehicle Excise		42,489.90
Interest		54.03
Abatements		
Poll		84.00
Real Estate		5,962.34
Personal Property		70.35
Motor Vehicle Excise		3,534.15
Transferred to Tax Title Account		326.18
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1961		40,718.35
	$439,552.53	$439,552.53

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT SNOW REMOVAL

Uncollected Jan. 1, 1961	$434.25	
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1961		$434.25
	$434.25	$434.25

RECAPITULATION

Total Receipts from Taxes:	
Real Estate	$331,428.22
Personal Property	33,924.88

Poll	1,132.00
Classified Forest Land	113.86
Farm Anmial Excise	178.37
Motor Vehicle Excise	59,340.86
Interest and Costs	465.75
	$426,583.94

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK A. SMALLMAN,
Collector

BOXFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY

East Parish

OFFICERS AND TRUSTEES

Winthrop P. Haynes, President
Milton E. Lord, Vice-President
Harry E. Trask, Treasurer
Margaret Lane, Secretary

Thomas E. Cargill, Jr.
Ellsworth D. Comins, Jr.
Seth L. Kelsey
Louise C. Watkins

LIBRARIANS

Bertha Perley
Lucy K. Parkhurst

LIBRARY HOURS

Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday, 2:30 - 5:30 P.M.

As our town population grows, our Library is constantly busier. The circulation of books, adult and juvenile, increased by 644, from 8,621 books last year to 9,265 books this year. Magazine circulation was 1,202. The high school students are using the Library increasingly for help in their school work.

Our book collection is growing. This year 170 books were added; of these 19 were gifts from various friends. Also

generous gifts of books have come from Mrs. Dana F. Killam and Miss C. Maud Norris. These are being processed for addition to the Library. The Library thankfully supplements its own collection of books by borrowing freely from the Bookmobile.

The Library has received gifts this year in memory of Esther K. Perley and Zora Wilkins. These are being set up as permanent memorial funds, of which the income will be used. There is $510 in the Esther K. Perley fund, and $182 in the Zora Wilkins fund to which can be added the $1,000 coming to the Library under her will. Through the generosity of Dr. and Mrs. Shulman, an auction held on the grounds of the Happy Day Camp netted the Library $651.17. Friends of the Library have given many hours of voluntary help. To all these donors of books, time and money, we tender our thanks.

The children again showed much interest in the State Reading Program. One hundred sixty Five-Book certificates and 36 Honor certificates were awarded to the children in the Cole School, mostly sixth graders. This is a co-operative venture in which the librarian and teachers work together.

The Library has lost three of its trustees this year. In January, Robert B. Parkhurst resigned after serving faithfully for almost twenty-seven years. On April 3rd, the death of Esther K. Perley saddened the Board. She had served since 1942 with great loyalty and imagination. In September, Charles J. Kittredge, Jr.'s resignation was accepted because of removal from town. He had been treasurer of the Board for five years.

New members of the Board are Thomas E. Cargill, Jr., Louise C. Watkins and Harry E. Trask.

On October 29th the Trustees took great pleasure in honoring Bertha Perley at a Golden Tea, for she has been librarian of the Boxford Public Library for fifty years. About one hundred and fifty friends joined in wishng her well.

Under the provisions of Section 19A of Chapter 760 of the Acts of 1960, providing for state aid to public libraries, the Town of Boxford received a direct grant-in-aid in the amount

of $422.10. This was allocated between the two libraries in the proportion of 60% and 40% respectively. Our share (60%) was $253.26.

The Librarians and Trustees wish to thank all who have contributed to the Library in any way.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGARET LANE,
Secretary, Board of Trustees

WEST BOXFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY

West Boxford

OFFICERS

Mrs. Alexander Price, President
A. Gordon Price, Vice-President
Miss Ruby F. Nason, Secretary
Mrs. Richard Spofford, Treasurer
Librarian, Mrs. Charles E. Rounds

TRUSTEES

Mrs. Alexander Price, Chairman
E. Laurence Colby Rolfe Y. Peterson

The library is open to the public Wednesday and Saturday, 3 to 5 and 7 to 9 P.M.

A notable change in library service during the year was the increase in use of reference material. This was especially true in the work with high school and junior-high students.

Circulation of books totaled 4,623.

Books added to the collection numbered 379; of these 222 were gifts.

The State Regional Bookmobile continued to service the library, thus adding to the collection many of the popular

titles so much in demand by the borrowers.

Magazines were constantly in use. Many were given to the library and 15 were obtained by subscription.

Book deposits were sent on several occasions to the primary and graded schools for the use of the children.

At the end of the school term 35 State Reading Certificates were awarded the pupils of the fifth and sixth grades. Twenty of these were honor certificates.

To all those who assisted in any way to make the library more helpful in 1961, the Library Association extends its sincerest appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

ISABEL ROUNDS,
Librarian

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

Board of Selectmen, Boxford, Mass.

Gentlemen:

As Inspector of Animals for the year ending December 31, 1961, I submit the following report: the work has been completed in conformance with the direction and requirements of the Massachusetts Division of Live Stock Disease Control.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM J. GREENLER, D.V.M.
Inspector of Animals

REPORT OF THE DOG OFFICER

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Boxford

Have had quite a few calls from dog owners having lost their dogs. Some have been returned; some are still missing.

Six dog bites, or nipping (so-called) of a minor nature were reported.

All money collected for dog licenses has been turned over to the Town Clerk.

There are still a few licenses uncollected.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES P. GRAY,
Dog Officer

REPORT OF THE BUILDING INSPECTOR

There were five less new homes in 1961 than in 1960.

	Number	Value
New house for 1961	46	$802,500.00
New additions	12	189,236.00
New garages and sheds	10	24,595.00
New school addition	1	125,000.00
Gravel permits	1	
Hen house destroyed	1	
TOTAL	71	$1,141,331.00
Fees collected for:		
Sewerage Permits		775.00
Building Permits		952.00

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY W. NASON,
Building Inspector

REPORT OF THE WIRE INSPECTOR

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Boxford
Report for the year 1961:

Permits	168
Inspections	395

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT W. SPERRY,
Wire Inspector

REPORT OF THE SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Board of Selectmen
Town of Boxford

Gentlemen:

During the year I have tested and sealed the following weights and measures:

Platform Scales	6
Beam Scales	1
Computing Scales	3
Spring Scales	7
Balance Scales	1
Gasoline Meters	4
Kerosene Pumps	1
Grease Pumps	1
Steel Tapes	2

Respectfully submitted,

CHESTER A. LEIGHTON
Sealer of Weights and Measures

REPORT OF THE INSPECTORS OF SLAUGHTERING FOR THE YEAR 1961

EXAMINED			CONDEMNED		
Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Cattle	Calves	Sheep
318	1695	185	3	93	5

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. FOSTER
SAMUEL E. LAWES
Inspectors of Slaughtering

MOTH DEPARTMENT

The Gypsy and Browntail Moths have been kept under control. All the trees along the roadsides of both ends of town were sprayed.

Respectfully submitted,

ALERSON E. NOYES,
Moth Superintendent

TREE DEPARTMENT

We have had to do a lot of trimming as well as cutting down of trees. This has been due to storm damage, new roads, construction and new lines being put through.

Respectfully submitted,

ALERSON E. NOYES,
Tree Warden

DUTCH ELM DISEASE DEPARTMENT

In July all Elm Trees along the roadsides were checked for Dutch Elm Disease. Samples sent into the State Laboratory.

In November and December, with the help of the State Moth Superintendent, and his crew, these diseased trees were taken down and disposed of.

Respectfully submitted,

ALERSON E. NOYES,
Moth Superintendent

REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

During the year, members of the Boxford Conservation Commission attended the Western Conference of the Massachusetts Association of Conservation Commissions at Northampton, Massachusetts; and a series of Conservation Meetings at the Essex Agriculture School at Hawthorne, Massachusetts. Much material of value in guiding the Town Conservation Commission has been obtained through these meetings.

The Commission has supervised the operations of the Georgetown Sand and Gravel Company at the West Boxford Gravel Pit and has recommended the renewal of the operation permit for 1962 to the Board of Appeals.

The Commission is presently evaluating the various marshland and swampy areas bordering streams and ponds, which should be included in the future Conservency Zone of the Town. Recommendations to the Town will be made to acquire certain desirable sites. The Commission is authorized to accept and administer land given to the Town for Conservation Areas.

The resignation of Mrs. Charles H. Pinkham, II was accepted with regret, and Mrs. E. Arthur Woodbury was elected by the Selectmen and remaining members to fill the vacancy on the Commission.

On the advice of the State Department of Natural Resources, that the chairmanship of each Town Commission be rotated, a vote was taken at the December meeting and Dr. Stuart K. Harris was unanimously elected to serve as chairman for the year 1962.

Respectfully submitted,

WINTHROP P. HAYNES, Chairman
SETH L. KELSEY
STUART K. HARRIS
EDWARD L. FRENCH
DOROTHY L. WOODBURY
Conservation Commission

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

January 3, 1962

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Boxford
Boxford, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

The following is a report of the Police Department's activities for the year 1961:

Classified

Ambulance calls	35
Fires	7
Motor Vehicle Accidents	31
Complaints, various	40
Requests for Police Service	21
Malicious Damage	10
Arrests	26
Court Appearances	27
Peddler Complaints	6
Disturbance of Peace	7
Larceny	12

House Breaks	3
Resuscitator calls	6
Hunting complaints	2
Pistol Permits	9
Summons	53
Attempted Suicide	1
Fatal Accidents	2
Stolen Cars Recovered	2
Dog Bites	5
Dog Damage	2
Recovered Stolen Property	1
Missing Persons	1

The new office was completed and occupied on March 1, 1961. We are very grateful to those who helped us furnish same.

Full cooperation was given the Registry of Motor Vehicles during their Road Watch Operations.

There has been a staggered, late patrol added to our duty roster. This operates from midnight until 5:00 a.m.

A traffic detail was requested and carried out at the village in West Boxford during rush hours throughout the summer.

Five members of our department were awarded certificates of completion from a series of helpful and informative lectures presented by the Wenham and Topsfield Departments. These lectures were primarily on Police Law and Procedures, and were conducted by very capable court officers and judges of the State.

In February, Richard Donovan resigned from the Department. James Stromberg was sworn in to replace him.

My sincere thanks, on behalf of the entire Police Department, to the Board of Selectmen, Fire Department, and all other town officers for their help and cooperation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

NATHANIEL N. LOVE, JR.

Chief of Police

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

At thirty meetings, members of the Planning Board worked on the master plan, a new zoning by-law and revised sub-division regulations, many of which were attended by Charles Eliot, our planning consultant.

Two joint meetings were held with other town officers.

Ten subdivision were processed. Four public hearings were held. Approximately 133 lots were created, against 59 for 1960 and about 128 in 1959. Buildings starts, however, were off, following the generally slow residential estate market.

In addition to the regular meetings and hearings, Board members attended a forum conducted by the West Boxford Improvement Society, a joint meeting of planning boards of Middleton, and Topsfield and two regional meetings at Haverhill. There was also a meeting with the Recreation Committee to consider the Baldpate Pond property purchased by the Town.

Residential properties being built in Boxford are comparable with those in the highest value towns in the metropolitan area which is perhaps the best evidence that Boxford is retaining its attractiveness by good zoning.

CHARLES L. COTTON, Chairman
CHARLES P. A. NELSON
SIMEON S. PEARL
WILLIAM E. DORMAN
J. WARREN CHADWICK
E. LAURENCE COLBY
WARREN R. GODFREY, Clerk

REPORT OF NORTH ANDOVER-BOXFORD DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' SERVICES

The following services were performed by this Department during 1961:

Discharge (certified copy)	12
Discharge (recorded)	9

Photostats	210
Aid and Attendance Allowance	2
Loan Guaranty	5
Taxes	28
Annual Income Report	30
Compensation	11
Pension	22
Burial Allowance	18
Headstone	14
Insurance	10
Power of Attorney	32
Hospitalization	28
Out-Patient Treatment	9
Miscellaneous	42

Respectfully submitted,

BERNARD W. BINGHAM,
District Director

REPORT OF NORTH ANDOVER AND BOXFORD DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' SERVICE

		N. Andover	Boxford	Total
Balance Carried over from 1960		$12.13	$4.59	$16.72
Appropriated in 1961, Section 11 Chapter 599, Acts of 1946 Raised by the Assessors in 1961		1,105.00	155.00	1,260.00
Totals		$1,117.13	$159.59	$1,276.72
Expended to Dec. 31, 1961	(A)	1,104.19	155.01	1,259.20
Balance December 31, 1961	$	12.94	$ 4.58	$ 17.52

(A) Basis for apportionment Chapter 599, Acts of 1945, an act establishing the basis for apportionment of State and County Taxes.

North Andover	$9,386,690.00 — Per Cent	.8769
Boxford	1,317,200.00 — Per Cent	.1231

District Department of Veterans Service

JAMES J. MAKER,
District Treasurer

Bernard W. Bingham (Salary)	$1,200.00
New England Tel. & Tel. Co. (Services)	47.70
Veterans Information Service (Frank Ostlin, Director)	9.00
Thomas J. McGrail, Jr. (District Treasurers Bond)	2.50
Total	$1,259.20

Respectfully submitted,
BERNARD W. BINGHAM,
Agent

REPORT OF THE FIRE WARDEN

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Boxford
Gentlemen:

FIRES

East Boxford	West Boxford
4 House Fires	1 House Fire
1 Washer Fire	1 Electric Stove Fire
1 Garage Fire	1 Oil Burner Fire
2 Heater Fires	1 Car Fire
1 Regional School	1 Garage Fire
1 Child Removed from Tree	2 Calls to East Boxford
1 Trailer Fire	
3 Car Fires Rte. No. 95	
14 Fires	7 Fires

Respectfully submitted,
ARCHER N. FRENCH,
Fire Warden

REPORT OF THE FOREST FIRE WARDEN

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Boxford

Gentlemen:

FIRES

East Boxford	West Boxford
2 Grass Fires	2 Woods Fires
8 Woods Fires	2 Dump Fires
2 Calls to West Boxford	
12 Fires	4 Fires

Respectfully submitted,

ARCHER N. FRENCH,
Forest Warden

REPORT OF THE TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE

During the year 1961 a road was opened with a turn-around to make a section of the forest easier to reach in case of fire.

Some thinning of brush was done along each side of the road; also along some of the other roads.

Amount of money used — $100.00 for labor.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER K. MORSS
ROBERT B. PARKHURST
WINTHROP P. HAYNES
Town Forest Committee

TOWN RECREATION COMMITTEE REPORT

During the year 1961, the Boy Scouts deeded approximately 15 acres of the Boy Scout Park to the Town of Boxford for recreational purposes. An area approximately 100' x 180' was bulldozed to an average depth of 3' to provide a safer skating area, and a longer skating season. The Committee is indebted to Mr. Melvin Smallwood for the donation of his equipment and to Mr. Clinton French for the donation of his time. Backboards and goals have been acquired through the efforts of the Boxford Athletic Association to provide hockey facilities. Plans for lighting the skating area are now under way, so that the Park may be used for night-time skating.

Twenty-one acres of land bordering Baldpate Pond were purchased by a vote of the Town at the November 27 meeting, for future development as a recreational site.

Future plans of the Recreation Committee include enlarging the skating area at the Boy Scout Park to provide hockey and ice skating simultaneously; developing swimming facilities at the Boy Scout Park; and providing baseball facilities at the Gardner Morse School.

SHIRLEY MacGILL, Chairman
MARIAN COLBY, Secretary
BEN FREEMAN
DAVID DOUGHTY
GORDON PRICE

REPORT OF THE CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR

During the year 1961 the completion of a two way radio for the Fire Department was accomplished. This now gives the Fire Department five units with radio.

A five-kilowatt generator was purchased for installment at Fire Headquarters. This will serve to supply emergency power to Fire and Police Departments when needed.

The diesel engine acquired from Surplus Property will, when a suitable generator is installed, have the capacity to supply the Fire, Police and Town Hall with emergency power, thus relieving the five-kilowatt unit which will be installed at the West Boxford Fire House.

The cooperation of departments in the town is appreciated.

Respectfully,

GORDON A. RUSSELL
Director

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

Although there has been a rapid increase in population, Boxford still remains a very healthy town in so far as communcable diseases are concerned, as is shown by the following list, which is the same total cases as reported in 1960:

Disease	No. of Cases
Measles	7
Mumps	2
Tuberculosis	2
Scarlet Fever	3
Dog Bite	3
Licenses were granted during the year as follows:	
Recreational Camps	8
Slaughter	2
Milk Dealers	12
Milk Producer	1
Manufacture of Ice Cream	1
Oleo	1

During the year 1961, the Board has performed its usual routine duties plus a number of more or less unusual ones. In January the sewerage disposal area at the Harry L. Cole School was inspected with the help of our Sanitary Engineer, Mr. Tracy I. Flagg, and was found to be satisfactory.

In February, a North Eastern Association of Boards of Health was formed, which Boxford joined. This association includes the cities or towns of Chelmsford, Hamilton, Lincoln, Lexington, Marblehead, Salem, and probably several other towns. On June 21 the annual meeting of this group was held at the Hotel Hawthorne in Salem, and was attended by our chairman. The formation of this organization means that finally all areas of the Commonwealth now have associations for the betterment of Public Health by mutual cooperation, thus keeping our group in close touch with any problems which might arise.

In May a poliomyelitis vaccine clinic was conducted at the Cole School. At this time 170 injections were given to children and adults. The innoculations were given free, since the State Board of Health gave the vaccine gratis, and the personnel administering it was happy to contribute its service. Another clinic will be conducted this year on a date to be announced through the schools. It is hoped that the Commonwealth will again furnish free vaccine.

In May a clinic for the vaccination of dogs against rabies was held at the Town Hall under the auspices of the New England Veterinary Clinic. Dr. Thomas A. Blackburn made all the arrangements. A nominal fee was charged, sufficient only to cover the cost of the material used. This clinic will be repeated in 1962, at a date to be announced later. Your Board urges that everyone having a dog should have the animal innoculated, for the reason that a case of rabies was reported in Western Massachusetts in which a bat had bitten a housewife. This was the first positive case of rabies in the Commonwealth since 1949. This does not mean that our populace should go around killing bats indiscriminately, but only that if anyone should be bitten by a bat or dog, the offender should be captured and placed in safe quarantine for ten days, so that, if true evidence of rabies develops in the brain cells, a correct diagnosis can be made by culture and microscopic examination.

In May of last year we lost, by death, the services of Mr. Clinton B. Nason as Inspector of Slaughtering, Mr. Nason had been a Selectman for many years, and all who knew him will regret his passing. Mr. Nason's place was taken by Mr. Samuel Lawes of West Boxford.

Our Board was called upon to inspect and rule on several sewerage problems, notably an area on Silverbrook Road. With the aid of Mr. Flagg we were able to reassure the residents that their wells were not being contaminated.

During the year this Board met twice with the Topsfield Board of Health and also appeared in court in Salem concerning the Ferreira piggery. This problem has apparently been solved equitably.

In the budget for 1962 our Board has requested the appropriation of a sum not to exceed $300.00 for the purpose of grading and oiling the road going into the Town Dump. It is obvious that such a procedure would benefit all, particularly during the snowy and muddy seasons.

Your attention is called to the excellent supervision which has been given our dump by Mr. James Gray and his weasel, the latter by taking care of unwanted rats. This Board is trying to run the dump as economically as possible, and again urges all citizens to bundle their newspapers and magazines so that the salvage helps Mr. Gray to augment the small stipend which he is paid. It seems important to point out that Mrs. Gray has been very careful to retrieve articles which can be re-used by the Morgan Memorial in its program for the handicapped individual. The Grays have saved several truckloads of garments and other items for this charitable purpose. We all owe them an expression of gratitude.

At the risk of being repetitive your Board again urges that anyone wishing to invest in tracts of land for development or even customers for individual house lots should con-

sult with this Board and our Sanitary Engineer. Please remember that it is our duty to inspect and pass upon every lot as to its suitability for proper water supply and sewage disposal. Such precaution can help prevent unnecessary financial loss.

Respectfully submitted,

STEPHEN MADDOCK, M.D.
RAYMOND PERLEY
HARRY L. COLE
Board of Health

REPORT OF THE SANITARY ENGINEER

Board of Health:

In 1961, I completed the preliminary and final inspections of 49 sewage disposal installations at new homes and at one public building. Three permits for other locations had to be refused. Prior to final approvals, the wells had to be located in such a way as to be reasonably protected from contamination. There were also three installations that received major alterations and renewals. These were also considered in regard to the locations of wells and sources of pollution. In this same regard, I studied two situations where contamination of a brook was suspected. In both cases, investigation proved that harmful pollution was not present.

Water samples from 19 public places and 12 private buildings were obtained in order to insure that bacteriologically safe water was being used. All but three samples were found to be safe for drinking and unsatisfactory conditions leading to the latter three conditions have been corrected.

A nursing home and eight recreational camps were inspected for general health conditions. They were found to be satisfactory except for one of the camps. Several major changes were required at this place; these were completed and the required license issued.

With the increased growth of the town, the proper disposal of pumpage from septic tanks and cesspools has become an important problem. A survey was conducted and a proper location for a sludge disposal area was found. Plans were drawn up for the development of this important public health facility.

In 1961, we studied two new areas for development of house lots; three other areas that had been given preliminary consideration were finally approved. These were judged on their suitability for good housing within the legal limitations of boards of health. Several lots were condemned in each of these areas and two required added drainage facilities before they would be suitable for the proper disposal of sewage in areas depending on private wells.

Finally, we wish to point out the additional tasks that we have been preparing to undertake in 1962. There is a State Sanitary Code in effect in Massachusetts. New detailed requirements of a most comprehensive nature have been established for recreational camps and will be in effect shortly for swimming areas and pools, and sewage disposal. In 1961, we have been outlining the procedures that will be necessary to put these regulations into operation. We already know that additional inspections and follow-up procedures will be necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

TRACY I. FLAGG,
Sanitary Engineer

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

The total expense for aid in 1961 was $25,751.69; $151.20, or approximately ½ of 1% of the entire cost was for general relief which is administered by the town.

There are now four other categories of aid, three of which have been in existence for some time and the fourth, Medical

Aid to the Aged, came into being in the fall of 1960. It is interesting to note that this new form of aid, in its first year, cost almost the same as Old Age Assistance. All of these categories of aid are administered through the Central Essex Welfare District in Middleton. However, applications for any form of aid may be made through this Board.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY L. COLE
JOHN G. BOLTON
FRANKLIN C. ROBERTS, JR.
Board of Public Welfare

REPORT OF THE CENTRAL ESSEX WELFARE DISTRICT

Old Age Assistance	7 cases
Medical Aid for the Aged	3 cases
Disability Assistance	2 cases
Aid to Dependent Children (3) children	1 case

Boxford's case load has declined in all categories, with the exception of Medical Aid for the Aged, for the calendar year of 1961. Deaths have accounted for the reduction in Old Age Assistance, and transfers to other communities for the reduction in Aid to Dependent Children, and Disability Assistance.

There has been a great deal of publicity in the national and local press in regard to "abuses" of the welfare categorical programs, and Secretary Ribicoff of the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare has made recommendations for improvement of services, and is stressing rehabilitation. President Kennedy is again submitting a prepaid medical care program to be administered through Social Security. If this program is passed there will be gaps that will still have to be met through public assistance programs. We will con-

tinue to have the problem of the aging population with us. In Boxford, those over age 65 constitute 7.5% of the population.

Medical expenses declined for the year, due to the reduction in case load. Medical costs of 1959 were $8,282.42; for 1960, $11,434.66; and for 1961, $8,187.57. Of this total $6,297.68 was for Medical Care for the Aged. This new category of assistance is to meet the medical needs of persons over 65. Of the 3 cases on Medical Aid for the Aged, 2 are in nursing homes, and 1 in a chronic hospital.

There is a new chronic hospital facility available to us and all residents of Essex County, at the Essex County Hospital in Middleton. This unit, called the Manning Annex gives excellent care, and does a remarkable job of rehabilitation. We should support this unit and the outpatient clinic for tuberculosis, as both are excellent services, and it is the feeling of the board they should be preserved. We have a need for these services here in our own county, and we feel every effort should be made to keep them operating.

Again this year we are faced with rising medical costs as per diem rates for hospital care were raised January 1, 1962, and nursing home rates have also been increased. The Medical Care Plan of the Department of Public Welfare is very adequate to meet the needs of anyone eligible for any of the categories of assistance. Massachusetts has one of the most comprehensive plans in the fifty states. Anyone having questions in regard to the eligibility requirements in any category of assistance will find the answers at the Welfare District Office if they care to call, or their queries by telephone are welcomed. The Office is located in Memorial Hall, South Main Street, Middleton.

The director wishes to thank all of the town officials and the townspeople for their help and cooperation in the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

PHYLLIS R. BROWN,
Director

REPORT OF MORSE HOUSE COMMITTEE

Under the direction of the Morse House Committee the old house was razed on October 12. Mr. Charles Killam, representing Boxford Grange 298, did an excellent job with a large bulldozer kindly loaned by Mr. John Berg. After razing the house, he then filled in the cellar hole and levelled off the site. Later the Fire Department from the West Parish burned the debris which had been pushed into the field. This was done to protect from damage the large trees around the site.

The Committee plans in the spring to do simple landscaping and to erect a bronze memorial plaque. Mr. Charles Morse of Bradford, a descendant of the Morse family, has donated the sum of fifty dollars for the purchase of such a plaque.

Respectfully submitted,

WINTHROP P. HAYNES,
Chairman

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

In January, 1961, the office for the Police Department in back of the fire station was completed.

A fire insurance inspector from the State inspected the Town Hall and Lincoln Hall, both of which were found satisfactory except for some minor changes.

Arrangements were made by the leaders of the Boy Scouts to use the downstairs room in the Town Hall for meetings during the cold weather.

In February, arrangements were made to borrow $120,000.00 in State House Notes with the State Street Bank and Trust Company, interest rate .02, for the addition to the Cole School.

On February 22nd the new pumping engine for the Fire Department arrived in town.

In March a public meeting was held to discuss the relocation of Topsfield road.

On April 6th the 50th Anniversary of the organization of the Boxford Grange was celebrated with appropriate ceremonies.

April 8th was designated as "Souvenir Day" at the old Morse House, the contents of the house having been removed to the yard for anyone desiring to "take their pick" prior to the demolition of the building.

A parking problem in front of the School on Middleton Road was partially eliminated by the placing of "No Parking" signs along one side of the road.

A new rope was placed in the flagg staff on the lower common in readiness for Memorial Day.

On June 12th a public meeting was held in Lincoln Hall in an endeavor to correct a dangerous traffic condition on Route 133.

With the combined efforts of the Boxford Firemen and Athletic Association, the 4th of July celebration was a success, and we are indebted to both groups for their public-spirited interested in this occasion.

On July 28th the Boston Post cane was presented to Mr. Cyrus E. Killan as the oldest male resident of Boxford. It is interesting to note that his father was the first resident of Boxford to receive this cane.

Meetings have been held with those interested in an effort to revitalize the Fire Department and to discuss ways in which to make it more functional and efficient.

The Boxford Grange started a project of improvement at the Town Hall by installing a white enamel sink and a new counter-top in the kitchen. The Grange, in combination with the Boy Scouts, has started a floor-painting project which is not yet completed.

In August a short extension of gas was installed by the Haverhill Gas Company to the house of Semple Consturction Company on Georgetown Road. Later in the year extensions were made on Kelsey, Ipswich, and Georgetown Roads; Elm Street and Topsfield Road.

In late August and early September many warning signs were placed on various highways in the Town where complaints of speeding had been reported to this Board. At this time, also, the Selectmen were in conference with the State Traffic Engineer relative to the establishment of speed signs which would comply with State requirements to be posted on many of our Town highways. We are still working on this and hope to have it in operation for the summer driving season.

In compliance with an agreement between the Town and the abutting owners, the gasoline tanks at Johnson's store were moved to a much more convenient location.

The heating units in both fire stations have been fireproofed by building fire-resistant walls around them. To accomplish this the water pump and tank in the East Parish Fire Station were moved into the cellar of the Town Hall.

Work has progressed during the year on the remodelling of the building at the West Boxford Fire Station which was presented to the Town by Mr. William Barrell.

Highway work under the provisions of Chapter 90 was done on Topsfield Road until halted by cold weather in December. This project will be completed in 1962. Some work was done on a continuation of the 1960 Chapter 90 project on Washington Street in West Boxford.

Maintenance work on highways under Chapter 81 has been carried out under the State supervision. Approximately three miles of new highway in the various sub-divisions have been approved and accepted by the Town and are now included in the highway mileage, making a total of 63 miles.

The roof at the town shed in West Boxford was re-papered late in the year.

Much of the repair work which is mentioned in this report was done by voluntary labor and a great deal of material was

contributed by public spirited citizens. For this and all other contributions by individuals or organizations, and for the hearty cooperation of all concerned, we express our deepest appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY L. COLE
JOHN G. BOLTON
FRANKLIN C. ROBERTS, JR.
Board of Selectmen

REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT

RECEIPTS FOR 1961

Simeon S. Pearl, Collector		
Taxes, previous years:		
Real Estate	$10,367.99	
Personal Property	727.04	
Poll	40.00	
		$ 11,135.03
Motor Vehicle Excise:		
Levy of 1959	$5.08	
Levy of 1960	12,245.86	
		$ 12,250.94
Farm Animal Excise:		
Levy of 1960		$25.88
Classified Forest Land:		
Levy of 1959		$6.57
Frederick A. Smallman, Collector		
Taxes, current year:		
Real Estate	$312,272.14	
Personal Property	32,763.85	
Poll	1,066.00	
		$346,101.99

Taxes, previous years:		
Real Estate	$8,750.49	
Personal Property	433.99	
Poll	26.00	
		$ 9,210.48
Motor Vehicle Excise:		
Levy of 1959	$6.01	
Levy of 1960	4,594.01	
Levy of 1961	42,489.90	
		$ 47,089.92
Classified Forest Land:		
Levy of 1959	$17.52	
Levy of 1960	31.02	
Levy of 1961	58.75	
		$ 107.29
Farm Animal Excise:		
Levy of 1961	$152.49	
		$ 152.49
Commonwealth of Massachusetts:		
For Highways:		
Chapter 81 Maintenance	$14,336.77	
Chapter 90 Construction	4,301.83	
		$ 18,638.60
For Education:		
School Superintendent	$2,778.30	
U. S. Public Law No. 874	2,272.00	
National Defense Education — Title IIIA	206.64	
Chapter 70, School Aid	39,907.47	
Aid, School Construction	82,845.47	
Education and Transportation	12,369.40	
Vocational Education	173.34	
State Aid to Libraries	422.10	
		$140,974.72
For Taxes, etc:		
Income Tax	$3,724.00	
Corporation Taxes	7,125.00	

Loss of Taxes	1,674.80	
Meal Tax, O.A.A.	585.24	
Animal Inspection	25.00	
School Lunch Program	3,498.52	
		$ 16,632.56
For Aid and Relief:		
Old Age Assistance	$1,876.52	
Old Age Assistance, U. S. Grant	3,453.14	
Aid to Dependent Children	1,612.69	
Aid to Dependent Children, U. S. Grant	1,660.50	
Disability Assistance	2,003.89	
Disability Assistance, U. S. Grant	1,496.40	
Medical Aid for Aged	2,506.84	
Medical Aid for Aged, U. S. Grant	4,758.95	
Veterans' Benefits	994.72	
		$ 20,363.65
County of Essex:		
For Highways:		
Chapter 90, Construction	$2,150.92	
Dog License Refund	391.84	
Dog Board Refund	10.00	
		$ 2,552.76
Trust and Investment Funds:		
Killam and Curtis Cemetery	$7.00	
Interest on School Funds	154.39	
Interest on Library Funds:		
East Parish	136.24	
West Parish	116.69	
J. T. Barker Fund	1,100.00	
		$ 1,514.32
Departmental Accounts:		
Old Age Assistance	$304.50	
Medical Aid to Aged	6.00	
Highway	169.05	
Appeal Board	90.00	
School	468.37	

Board of Health	7.50	
Police	75.00	
Planning Board	64.00	
		$ 1,184.42
Licenses and Permits:		
Dogs	$569.00	
Slaughter	1,000.00	
Building and Sewerage	1,730.00	
Junk	2.00	
Revolver	20.00	
Ice Cream	5.00	
Milk	6.50	
Peddler-Fish	2.00	
Recreational Camp	4.00	
Lord's Day	.50	
Oleo	.50	
		$ 3,339.50
Unclassified:		
Interest on Deposits	$4,191.85	
Interest on Taxes	465.75	
Tax Title	750.00	
School Lunch Program	9,314.78	
County Retirement	2,313.85	
Federal Withholding Deductions	18,505.79	
Rent of Town Halls	200.00	
Rent of Community House	80.00	
Departmental Refunds	1,251.72	
State Withholding Tax Deductions	1,565.88	
Use of Telephones	53.60	
Pay Station Commission	50.79	
Miscellaneous Receipts	11.11	
Court Fines	230.00	
Tax Refund on Tires	27.98	
Real Estate Tax Refund	37.60	
Insurance on Cruiser	50.00	
School Building Loan	120,000.00	
		$159,100.70
		$790,381.82

EXPENDITURES FOR 1961

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Selectmen	$1,404.19	
Board of Public Welfare	252.49	
Assessors	2,075.71	
Assessors — 1960 Account	12.50	
Treasurer	619.15	
Town Clerk	492.01	
Accountant	2,313.14	
Collector	1,907.84	
Registrars	24.00	
Elections	72.00	
Town Counsel	500.00	
Appeal Board	76.31	
Planning Board	506.05	
Building Inspector	900.00	
Wire Inspector	850.00	
Finance Committee	15.00	
Recreation Committee	350.00	
Board of Health	3,138.74	
Inspector of Slaughtering	1,050.00	
Inspector of Animals	50.00	
		$ 16,610.13

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Sealer of Weights and Measures	$34.80
Dog Officer	62.00
Police	5,593.77
Forest Warden	2,294.34
Fire Warden	2,859.68
Tree Warden	1,239.24
Moth Suppression	1,356.25
Dutch Elm Disease Control	1,899.80
New Fire House — West Parish	874.30
Pumping Engine — Fire Department	14,987.80
Police Station	850.00

Two-Way Radios — Fire Department	500.00	
Generator — Fire Department	535.00	
Radio Receiver — West Parish Fire House	68.63	
		$ 33,146.61

AID AND RELIEF

Public Welfare	$151.20	
Disability Assistance	3,476.11	
Disability Assistance, U. S. Grant	1,057.87	
Old Age Assistance	5,941.15	
Old Age Assistance, U. S. Grant	2,180.35	
Aid to Dependent Children	3,420.39	
Aid to Dependent Children, U. S. Grant	914.65	
Medical Aid for Aged	7,923.08	
Medical Aid for Aged, U. S. Grant	268.89	
Veterans' Benefits	1,250.02	
Central Essex Welfare Dist., Administration	618.00	
		$ 27,201.71

SCHOOLS AND LIBRARIES

School Department	$138,756.02	
School Department — 1960 Account	127.10	
School Building Committee Options	400.00	
School Building Committee	2,028.66	
School Account National Defense Education	169.46	
School Lunch Program	11,375.17	
Cole School Alterations	3,646.42	
Cole School Addition	176,988.68	
Regional District School	159,280.05	
East Parish Library	1,135.42	
West Parish Library	1,031.45	
		$494,938.43

HIGHWAYS

Chapter 81 Maintenance	$19,195.00	
Chapter 90 Construction-Topsfield Rd.	14,602.74	
Chapter 90 Construction, Washington Street, 1960 Account	2,002.23	

Chapter 90 Construction, Washington St.	331.37	
Crescent Circle	174.92	
Highways and Bridges, Selectmen's Fund	1,000.00	
Snow Removal and Sanding	15,123.35	
Road Machinery Maintenance	1,469.11	
Highway Department Sander	2,099.00	
Highway Department Broom	900.00	
Street Lighting	747.96	
Highway Vacation Account	1,186.80	
Sick Benefit	142.40	
		$ 58,974.88

UNCLASSIFIED

Town Halls	$1,226.65
Public Grounds	63.22
Insurance	5,084.88
Town Forest	100.00
Memorial Day	361.31
Soldiers' Graves	225.00
Harmony Cemetery	50.00
Mt. Vernon Cemetery	50.00
Boxford Village Cemetery	150.00
Killam and Curtis Cemetery	7.00
Clerical	899.27
Chaplin Land — Baldpate Pond	12,875.00
Spofford Land Taking	3,420.70
Federal Withholding Tax Deductions	18,505.79
Wakefield — O. A. A. Recovery	193.14
Interest Refund	16.42
Town Reports	974.85
Civil Defense	471.66
Selectmen's Contingent Fund	318.71
Veterans' Service District	155.00
State Parks and Reservations	936.60
Essex Sanatorium	1,399.26
County Tax	5,964.55
County Retirement System	3,246.98

County Retirement Deductions	2,313.85	
State Withholding Tax Deductions	1,540.22	
Motor Vehicle Excise Refunds	2,901.26	
Real Estate Tax Refunds	1,306.60	
Dog Licenses to County	569.00	
Principal on Maturing Debt	67,000.00	
Interest on Maturing Debt	3,537.50	
		$135,864.42
TOTAL CASH PAYMENTS		$766,736.18

BALANCE SHEET

December 31, 1961

ASSETS

Cash: General		$317,000.64
Accounts Receivable:		
Taxes: Levy of 1959		
Real Estate		40.88
Levy of 1960:		
Poll	$2.00	
Real Estate	1,751.39	
Personal	282.00	
		2,035.39
Levy of 1961:		
Poll	48.00	
Real Estate	24,190.60	
Personal	1,121.89	
		25,360.49
Classified Forest Land:		
Levy of 1961		22.56
Farm Animal Excise:		
Levy of 1961		54.48
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:		
Levy of 1960	589.04	
Levy of 1961	15,280.82	
		15,869.86

Departmental:		
Aid to Dependent Children	504.83	
Veterans' Services	.70	
Old Age Assistance	1,353.06	
Highway — Snow Removal	434.25	
		2,292.84
Tax Titles:		804.50
State and County Aid to Highways		28,500.00
Underestimates:		
County Tax	155.60	
Veterans' Service District	5.00	
		160.60
		$392,142.24

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Net Funded or Fixed Debt	$134,000.00

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Trust Funds — Cash and Securities	$62,999.41

BALANCE SHEET

December 31, 1961

LIABILITIES

Reserve until Collected:		
Tax Titles	$804.50	
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise Revenue	15,869.86	
Departmental Revenue	2,292.84	
Special Assessment Revenue	77.04	
State and County Aid to Highway Revenue	28,500.00	
		$ 47,544.24

Overlay Reserved for Abatement of Taxes:		
Levy of 1959	40.88	
Levy of 1960	2,045.39	
Levy of 1961	12,679.35	
		14,765.62
Overlay — Surplus Reserve		51,426.27
Excess and Deficiency		206,792.60
Appropriation Accounts:		
Goodwin Plans—1954 Account	$100.00	
Recreation Committee	128.50	
New Fire House—West Parish	941.64	
Chapter 90 Construction	9,105.89	
School Building Committee, Options	2,600.00	
School Building Committee	1,478.79	
Cole School Alterations	2,353.58	
Cole School Addition	10,819.38	
		27,527.78
U.S. Grants:		
Disability Assistance	$4,087.18	
Aid to Dependent Children	4,879.05	
Old Age Assistance	14,505.20	
Medical Aid to Aged	4,490.06	
School Aid—Public Law 874	7,275.80	
School Aid—National Defense	206.64	
		35,443.93
Road Machinery Fund	2,869.59	
School Lunch Program	2,681.25	
J. T. Barker Fund	3,000.00	
Civil Defense	9.32	
Tax Title Release	4.00	
		8,564.16
Overestimates:		
State Parks and Reservations		77.64
		$392,142.24

DEBT ACCOUNTS

School Loans		$134,000.00

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Town Farm Fund	$40,659.04	
Post-War Rehabilitation Fund	4,875.59	
Sarah P. Perley Fund	2,173.68	
Curtis and Killam Burial Lot Fund	345.79	
East Parish Library	3,500.00	
West Parish Library	3,000.00	
East Parish Library Cote Fund	1,190.13	
Boxford Visiting Nurse Association	1,221.12	
Town School Fund	4,422.49	
Stabilization Fund	1,611.57	
		$62,999.41

DETAIL OF EXPENDITURES FOR 1961

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Selectmen

Appropriation		$ 1,450.00
Salaries, Selectmen	$1,350.00	
Office Expense	30.19	
State and County Association Dues	24.00	
Total expenditures	$1,404.19	
Balance to revenue	45.81	
	$1,450.00	$ 1,450.00

Board of Public Welfare

Appropriation		$ 300.00
Salaries, Board of Public Welfare	$200.00	
Office Expenses	19.69	
Association Dues	10.00	
Travel	22.80	
Total expenditures	$252.49	
Balance to revenue	47.51	
	$300.00	$ 300.00

Board of Assessors

Appropriation		$ 2,100.00
Salaries, Board of Assessors	$1,550.00	
Clerical	306.00	
Abstracts	177.00	
Office Supplies	90.71	
State and County Association Dues	12.00	
Total expenditures	$2,075.71	
Balance to 1962	24.29	
	$2,100.00	$ 2,100.00

Board of Assessors — 1960 Account

Balance from 1960		$ 188.74
Office Supplies	12.50	
Balance to revenue	176.24	
	$188.74	$ 188.74

Treasurer

Appropriation		$ 650.00
Salary, Treasurer	$350.00	
Bond	165.60	
Office Supplies	95.15	
Rent, Safety Deposit Vault	4.40	
State Association Dues	4.00	
Total expenditures	$619.15	
Balance to revenue	30.85	
	$650.00	$ 650.00

Town Clerk

Appropriation		$ 450.00
Transfer from Reserve		43.01
Services, Town Clerk	$387.00	
Bond	10.00	

Office Expense	88.51	
Association Dues	7.50	
Total expenditures	$493.01	$ 493.01

Collector

Appropriation		$ 2,000.00
Salary, Collector	$1,200.00	
Bonds	317.00	
Office expense	386.34	
State Association Dues	4.00	
Total expenditures	$1,907.34	
Balance to revenue	92.66	
	$2,000.00	$ 2,000.00

Accountant

Appropriation		$ 2,500.00
Salary, Accountant	$2,000.00	
Clerical expense	139.88	
Office expense	173.26	
Total expenditures	$2,313.14	
Balance to revenue	186.86	
	$2,500.00	$ 2,500.00

Town Counsel

Appropriation		$ 500.00
Salary, Town Counsel	$500.00	
	$500.00	$ 500.00

Finance Committee

Appropriation		$ 50.00
Association Dues	15.00	
Balance to revenue	35.00	
	$50.00	$ 50.00

Registrars

Appropriation		$ 200.00
Salaries, Board of Registrars	$24.00	
Balance to revenue	176.00	
	$200.00	$ 200.00

Elections

Appropriation		$ 200.00
Services, Town Clerk	$12.00	
Printing	60.00	
Total expenditures	$72.00	
Balance to revenue	128.00	
	$200.00	$ 200.00

Appeal Board

Appropriation		$ 200.00
Advertising	$68.00	
Office Expense	8.31	
Total expenditures	76.31	
Balance to revenue	123.69	
	$200.00	$ 200.00

Planning Board

Appropriation		$ 275.00
Transfer from Reserve		500.00
Advertising	$102.00	
Office Supplies	10.35	
Proposed Zoning By-Law	393.70	
Total expenditures	$506.05	
Balance to revenue	268.95	
	$775.00	$ 775.00

Town Recreation Committee

Balance from 1960		$ 478.50
Bulldozer	$350.00	
Balance to 1962	128.50	
	$478.50	$ 478.50

Building Inspector

Appropriation		$ 900.00
Services, Building Inspector	$900.00	
	$900.00	$ 900.00

Wire Inspector

Appropriation		$ 850.00
Services, Wire Inspector	$650.00	
Office Expense	200.00	
Total expenditures	$850.00	$ 850.00

HEALTH AND SANITATION

Board of Health

Appropriation		$ 3,000.00
Transfer from Reserve		138.74
Salaries, Board of Health	$200.00	
Services, Sanitary Engineer	1,007.50	
Services, Dump Caretaker	1,262.40	
Maintenance of Dump	349.50	
Drugs	36.36	
Office expense	14.88	
Rubbish Collection	23.60	
Nursing Servic	30.00	
Hospitalization	201.00	
Miscellaneous	13.50	
Total expenditures	$3,138.74	$ 3,138.74

Inspectors of Slaughtering

Appropriation		$ 1,000.00
Transfer from Reserve		50.00
Salaries, Inspectors of Slaughtering	$1,050.00	
	$1,050.00	$ 1,050.00

Inspector of Animals

Appropriation		$ 50.00
Salary, Inspector of Animals	$50.00	
	$50.00	$ 50.00

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Appropriation		$ 35.00
Salary, Sealer	$25.00	
Office Supplies	9.80	
Total expenditures	$34.80	
Balance to revenue	.20	
	$35.00	$ 35.00

Dog Officer

Appropriation		$ 70.00
Refunds from Essex County		10.00
Salary, Dog Officer	$50.00	
Board and disposal of stray dogs	12.00	
Total expenditures	$62.00	
Balance to revenue	18.00	
	$80.00	$ 80.00

Police

Appropriation		$ 5,500.00
Transfer from Reserve		93.77
Labor	$3,962.25	
Office Expense	232.34	
Insurance	275.00	
Equipment	54.50	
Telephone	181.06	
Repairs	442.85	
Gasoline and oil	445.77	
Total expenditures	$5,593.77	$ 5,593.77

Forest Warden

Appropriation		$ 2,500.00
Salary, Forest Warden	$230.00	
Labor	356.75	
Janitor Service	220.00	
Telephones	458.44	
Electricity	18.27	
Repairs	488.17	
Gasoline and oil	58.39	
Fuel	157.32	
Subscription and Dues	7.00	
Total expenditures	$2,294.34	
Balance to revenue	205.66	
	$2,500.00	$ 2,500.00

Fire Warden

Appropriation		$ 3,000.00
Janitor Service	$120.00	
Labor	526.05	
Equipment	967.40	
Repairs	396.47	
Telephones	512.60	
Fuel	173.90	

Gasoline and oil	159.76	
Subscription	3.50	
Total expenditures	$2,859.68	
Balance to revenue	140.32	
	$3,000.00	$ 3,000.00

New Fire House — West Parish

Balance from 1960		$ 315.94
Appropriation		1,500.00
Labor	$151.00	
Lumber and building materials	378.39	
Electrical Fixtures	74.42	
Paint	51.81	
Cement blocks	139.10	
Stone and cement	44.70	
Electricity	34.88	
Total expenditures	$874.30	
Balance to 1962	941.64	
	$1,815.94	$ 1,815.94

Tree Warden

Appropriation		$ 1,400.00
Labor	$280.40	
Trucks	55.50	
Power Saw	24.00	
Contract Work	807.40	
Tools	32.00	
County Association Dues	5.00	
Tractor	24.00	
Supplies	10.94	
	$1,239.24	
Balance to revenue	160.76	
	$1,400.00	$ 1,400.00

Moth Suppression

Appropriation		$ 1,500.00
Labor	$192.80	
Spraying	358.00	
Truck	10.50	
Supplies	212.85	
Contract Work	558.10	
Tractor	24.00	
Total expenditures	$1,356.25	
Balance to revenue	143.75	
	$1,500.00	$ 1,500.00

Dutch Elm Disease Control

Appropriation		$ 2,000.00
Labor	$490.40	
Power Saw	6.00	
Trucks	148.50	
Tractor	226.00	
Contract Work	1,028.90	
Total expenditures	$1,899.80	
Balance to revenue	100.00	
	$2,000.00	$ 2,000.00

CHARITIES, AID AND VETERANS' BENEFITS

Public Welfare

Appropriation		$ 2,500.00
Fuel	$43.09	
Medical and hospital	108.11	
Total expenditures	$151.20	
Transfer to A.D.C.	500.00	

Transfer to M.A.A.	1,760.73	
	$2,411.93	
Balance to revenue	88.07	
	$2,500.00	$ 2,500.00

Old Age Assistance

Appropriation		$ 6,000.00
Cash	$5,552.87	
Other cities and towns	388.28	
	$5,941.15	
Transfer to M.A.A.	58.85	
	$6,000.00	$ 6,000.00

Old Age Assistance, U. S. Grant

Balance from 1960		$12,643.95
Federal Grants		3,453.14
Recovery		588.46
Cash	$2,180.35	
Balance to 1962	14,505.20	
	$16,685.55	$ 16,685.55

Aid to Dependent Children

Appropriation		$ 3,000.00
Transfer from General Relief		500.00
Cash	$3,420.39	
Transfer to M. A. A.	79.61	
	$3,500.00	$ 3,500.00

Aid to Dependent Children, U. S. Grant

Balance from 1960		$ 4,133.20
Federal Grants		1,660.50
Cash	$914.65	
Balance to 1962	4,879.05	
	$5,793.70	$ 5,793.70

Disability Assistance

Appropriation		$ 3,500.00
Cash	$3,476.11	
Transfer to M. A. A.	23.89	
	$3,500.00	$ 3,500.00

Disability Assistance, U. S. Grant

Balance from 1960		$ 3,648.65
Federal Grants		1,496.40
Cash	$1,057.87	
Balance to 1962	4,087.18	
	$5,145.05	$ 5,145.05

Medical Aid for the Aged

Appropriation		$ 6,000.00
Transfer from General Relief		1,760.73
Transfer from Aid to Dependent Children		79.61
Transfer from Disability Assistance		23.89
Transfer from Old Age Assistance		58.85
Cash	$7,923.08	
	$7,923.08	$ 7,923.08

Medical Aid for the Aged, U. S. Grant

Federal Grants		$ 4,758.95
Refund to State	$253.89	
Cash	15.00	
Balance to 1962	4,490.06	
	$4,758.95	$ 4,758.95

Central Essex Welfare District Administration

Appropriation		$ 668.00
Welfare District	$618.00	
Balance to revenue	50.00	
	$668.00	$668.00

Veterans' Benefits

Appropriation		$ 1,500.00
Cash	$657.25	
Medical	147.03	
Hospital	445.74	
Total expenditures	$1,250.02	
Balance to revenue	249.98	
	$1,500.00	$ 1,500.00

HIGHWAYS

Highways and Bridges — Selectmen's Fund

Appropriation		$ 1,000.00
Labor	$553.00	
Trucks	101.25	
Tractor	30.00	
Advertising	12.00	
Steel	113.19	
Patch	32.45	
Signs	75.42	
Posts	15.23	
Roofing Paper	67.46	
	$1,000.00	$ 1,000.00

Chapter 90 — Construction, Topsfield Rd. and Washington St.

Appropriation		$ 6,000.00
State		12,000.00
County		6,000.00
Refund		52.50
Washington Street:		
Labor	$123.50	
Trucks	42.72	
Tractor	49.50	
Grader	52.50	

Sand and gravel	63.15	
Use of town tools	6.50	
Topsfield Road:		
Labor	$2,836.65	
Trucks	1,166.00	
Shovel	1,296.00	
Bulldozer	656.00	
Grader	430.00	
Loader	269.00	
Backhoe	180.00	
Lowboy	22.50	
Power Saw	36.75	
Hot Top	2,942.43	
Gravel	1,535.00	
Pipe	1,213.44	
Guard Rail	896.20	
Masonry	557.50	
Sand	145.65	
Bounds	61.00	
Trees	160.00	
Catch basins	107.82	
Blasting	37.10	
Supplies	53.70	
Use of town tools	6.00	
Total expenditures	$14,946.61	
Balance to 1962	9,105.89	
	$24,052.50	$ 24,052.50

Crescent Circle and Woodland Drive

Balance from 1960		$ 174.92
Oil	$174.92	
	$174.92	$ 174.92

Chapter 81 — Maintenance

Appropriation		$ 3,000.00
State Allotment		16,500.00
Labor	$8,044.35	
Trucks	2,406.25	
Roller	8.00	
Grader	337.50	
Backhoe	172.00	
Tractors	624.25	
Power Saws	15.00	
Sand and Gravel	1,749.10	
Oil	4,760.46	
Signs	104.86	
Paint	82.08	
Lumber and Posts	59.72	
Tools	121.67	
Patch	555.56	
Pipe	143.20	
Cement	10.95	
Use of Town Tools	305.00	
	$19,500.00	$ 19,500.00

Snow Removal and Sanding

Appropriation		$ 11,000.00
Transfer from Highway Dept. Sander		151.00
Transfer from Broom		100.00
Transfer from Reserve		3,928.32
Transfer from Overlay Reserve		1,022.53
Labor	$7,326.85	
Trucks	2,281.50	
Trucks and Plows	2,456.00	
Sander	855.25	
Tractor	454.00	
Repairs	73.30	
Sand	979.96	
Salt	695.99	
Use of Town Tools	1,078.50	
	$16,201.85	$ 16,201.85

Road Machinery Maintenance

Appropriation		$ 1,000.00
Transfer from Road Machinery Fund		500.00
Labor	$170.90	
Truck	9.00	
Gasoline and oil	82.92	
Repairs	728.71	
Equipment	416.20	
Light	32.66	
Tools	6.42	
Supplies	22.40	
Total expenditures	$1,469.11	
Balance to Road Machinery Fund	30.89	
	$1,500.00	$ 1,500.00

Street Lighting

Appropriation		$ 850.00
Street Lights	$747.96	
Balance to revenue	102.04	
	$850.00	$ 850.00

Highway Vacation Account

Appropriation		$ 1,000.00
Transfer from Insurance		185.00
Vacation Payrolls	$1,177.80	
Balance to revenue	7.20	
	$1,185.00	$ 1,185.00

Sick Benefit

Transfer from Reserve		$ 200.00
Pay Rolls	$142.40	
Balance to revenue	57.60	
	$200.00	$ 200.00

SCHOOLS AND LIBRARIES

All Schools

Appropriation		$139,020.00
Refund		5.46
Teachers' Salaries:		
School Teachers	$74,367.63	
Substitutes	1,410.00	
Supervisors	9,111.89	
Home Instruction	161.00	
Superintendence:		
Salary	3,937.44	
Clerks	2,028.86	
Expense	374.86	
Health:		
Nurse	816.56	
Physician	370.00	
Supplies	33.99	
Tuition	141.30	
Transportation	16,748.61	
Miscellaneous:		
Janitors	6,688.88	
Attendance Officers	16.00	
Committee Expense	185.14	
Books	3,275.82	
Supplies	2,516.43	
Fuel	2,744.32	
Electricity	1,887.13	
Telephones	331.69	
Repairs	3,958.10	
Library	299.70	
Office expense	231.37	
Supervisor's expense	219.20	
Insurance	2,445.00	
Janitor's Supplies	1,205.53	
Grounds	106.13	

Equipment	2,072.64	
Maintenance	807.00	
Rubbish Collection	253.80	
Total expenditures	$138,756.02	
Balance to revenue	269.44	
	$139,025.46	$139,025.46

School Building Committee

Balance from 1960		$ 3,507.45
Architect	$1,566.37	
Advertising	64.00	
Furniture	278.25	
Books	114.44	
Miscellaneous	5.60	
Total expenditures	$2,028.66	
Balance to 1962	1,478.79	
	$3,507.45	$ 3,507.45

Cole School Alterations

Balance from 1960		$ 6,000.00
Architect	$611.25	
Advertising	28.00	
Equipment	1,616.89	
Furniture	733.38	
Insurance	656.90	
Total expenditures	$3,646.42	
Balance to 1962	2,353.58	
	$6,000.00	$ 6,000.00

Cole School Addition

Balance from 1960	$ 66,614.30
School Building Loan	120,000.00
Refunds	1,193.76

Contractor	$143,524.35	
Architect	2,650.98	
Grounds	14,115.58	
Kitchen equipment	5,567.00	
Furniture	6,715.56	
Equipment	3,563.51	
Insurance	109.20	
Painting	150.00	
Wiring	98.00	
Janitor's Supplies	494.50	
Total expenditures	$176,988.68	
Balance to 1962	10,819.38	
	$187,808.06	$187,808.06

School Lunch Program

Balance from 1960		$1,243.12
State Grants		3,498.52
Cash		9,314.78
Salaries	$3,835.45	
Food	7,539.72	
Total expenditures	$11,375.17	
Balance to 1962	2,681.25	
	$14,056.42	$14,056.42

Regional District School

Appropriation		$159,280.05
Masconomet Regional District School	$159,280.05	

East Parish Library

Appropriation		$550.00
Half dog license refund from County		195.92
Interest from Library Funds		136.24
60% State Aid to Public Libraries		253.26
Operation expense refunded to Association	$1,135.42	
	$1,135.42	$1,135.42

West Parish Library

Appropriation		$550.00
Half dog license refund from County		195.92
Interest from Library Funds		116.69
40% State Aid to Public Libraries		168.84
Operating expense refunded to Association	$1,031.45	
	$1,031.45	$1,031.45

UNCLASSIFIED

Town Halls

Appropriation		$1,700.00
Janitors	$151.50	
Fuel	336.36	
Light	328.98	
Telephone	295.95	
Repairs	107.34	
Supplies	6.52	
Total expenditures	$1,226.65	
Balance to revenue	473.35	
	$1,700.00	$1,700.00

Public Grounds

Appropriation		$300.00
Care of Public Grounds	$63.22	
Balance to revenue	236.78	
	$300.00	$300.00

Town Forest

Appropriation		$200.00
Labor	$100.00	
Balance to revenue	100.00	
	$200.00	$200.00

Soldier's Graves

Appropriation		$225.00
East Parish Cemeteries	$125.00	
West Parish Cemeteries	100.00	
	$225.00	$225.00

Harmony Cemetery

Appropriation		$50.00
Maintenance	$50.00	
	$50.00	$50.00

Boxford Village Cemetery

Appropriation		$150.00
Maintenance	$150.00	
	$150.00	$150.00

Mt. Vernon Cemetery

Appropriation		$50.00
Maintenance	$50.00	
	$50.00	$50.00

Memorial Day

Appropriation		$300.00
Transfer from Reserve		61.31
American Legion Post	$361.31	
	$361.31	$361.31

Clerical

Appropriation		$900.00
Clerical	$899.27	
Balance to revenue	.73	
	$900.00	$900.00

Town Reports

Appropriation		$850.00
Transfer from Reserve		124.85
Town Reports	$924.85	
Delivery	50.00	
	$974.85	$974.85

Civil Defense

Balance from 1960		$5.98
Appropriation		450.00
Transfer from Reserve		25.00
Director's Salary	$100.00	
Labor	50.25	
Fire	17.01	
Communications	92.25	
Ambulance expense	50.45	
Telephone	108.60	
Office expenses	53.10	
Total expenditures	$471.66	
Balance to 1962	9.32	
	$480.98	$480.98

Contingency Fund

Appropriation		$500.00
Use of Clay's Beach	$120.00	
Masconomet School rent	85.00	
Community House electricity	12.28	
Conservation Commission Dues	15.00	
Civil Defense	29.15	
Haverhill Police Woman	44.10	
Miscellaneous expense	13.18	
Total expenditures	$318.71	
Balance to revenue	181.29	
	$500.00	$500.00

Interest and Amortization of School Loan

Appropriation		$70,600.00
Interest	$3,537.50	
Payment on Principal	67,000.00	
Total expenditures	$70,537.50	
Balance to revenue	62.50	
	$70,600.00	$70,600.00

Reserve Fund

Appropriation from Overlay Fund		$5,000.00
Total Transfers	$5,000.00	
	$5,000.00	$5,000.00

Insurance

Appropriation		$ 5,500.00
Compensation	$1,429.05	
Liability	747.88	
Fire	281.37	
Motor Vehicle	2,135.59	
Accident	411.75	
Monies and Securities	58.70	
Boilers	20.54	
Total expenditures	$5,084.88	
Vacation Account	185.00	
	$5,269.88	
Balance to revenue	230.12	
	$5,500.00	$5,500.00

Respectfully submitted,

BARBARA C. PERLEY,

Town Accountant

REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER

The Receipts and Disbursements in the General Cash Account for the year 1961 were as follows:

Balance January 1, 1961		$293,355.00
Tax, Collectors	$426,583.94	
Commonwealth of Massachusetts:		
Highways	$18,638.60	
Education	140,974.72	
Taxes	13,109.04	
Old Age Assistance, grants	5,329.66	
Aid to Dep. Children, grants	3,273.19	
Disability Assistance, grants	3,500.29	
Medical Aid to Aged	7,265.79	
Veterans' Benefits	994.72	
Animal Inspection	25.00	
School Lunch Program	3,498.52	
County of Essex:		
Highways	2,150.92	
Dog License refund	391.84	
Trust Funds, Income	1,514.32	
Departmental receipts	1,184.42	
Licenses and permits	3,339.50	
Income from town property	280.00	
Federal Withholding Tax Account	18,505.79	
State Withholding Tax Account	1,565.88	
Departmental refunds	1,261.72	
School Lunch Program	9,314.78	
County Retirement Account	2,313.85	
Court Fines	230.00	
Telephone refunds and commission	104.39	
Miscellaneous	39.09	
Interest	4,191.85	
Insurance on Cruiser	50.00	

Tax Title	750.00	
School Building Loan	120,000.00	
		$790,381.82
		$1,083,736.82

Disbursements:

Treasury Warrants as issued by Accountant and approved by Selectmen	$766,736.18
Balance, December 31, 1961	$317,000.64

For a more detailed statement of Receipts and Disbursements, see report of Town Accountant.

REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS AND ACCOUNTS

STABILIZATION FUND

Georgetown Savings Bank, Book 14821:	
Balance January 1, 1961	$187.50
Deposit	1,201.48
Interest	222.59
Balance January 1, 1962	$1,611.57

TOWN FARM FUND

There are deposited in the safe deposit vault of the Danvers Savings Bank, United States Treasury Bonds, par value $6,500.00.

$6,500.00 U.S. Treasury Bonds, 2½'s, 70/65	$6,500.00
Danvers Savings Bank, Book 14805:	
On deposit January 1, 1961	7,777.61
Interest for the year 1961	304.28
Balance January 1, 1962	$8,081.89

Interest from the above bonds is deposited in the banks as follows:

Lawrence Savings Bank, Book 82858:	
On deposit, January 1, 1961	$143.43
Interest for the year 1961	5.60
Balance January 1, 1962	$149.03
Salem Five Cents Savings Bank, Book 28764:	
On deposit January 1, 1961	$16,351.27
Interest on U.S. Treasury Bonds	162.50
Savings Bank Interest for 1961	633.94
Balance January 1, 1962	$17,147.71
Salem Savings Bank, Book 99618:	
On deposit January 1, 1961	$8,449.83
Interest for the year 1961	330.58
Balance January 1, 1962	$8,780.41

WEST PARISH LIBRARY FUND

Lawrence Savings Bank, Book 107895:	
On deposit January 1, 1961	$1,500.00
Interest for the year 1961	58.69
	$1,558.69
Withdrawn	58.69
Balance January 1, 1962	$1,500.00
Salem Five Cents Savings Bank, Book 30896:	
On deposit January 1, 1961	$1,500.00
Interest for the year 1961	58.00
	$1,558.00
Withdrawn	58.00
Balance January 1, 1962	$1,500.00

EAST PARISH LIBRARY COTE FUND

Danvers Savings Bank, Book 10319:

On deposit January 1, 1961	$1,145.34
Interest for the year 1961	44.79
Balance January 1, 1962	$1,190.13

BOXFORD VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION

Danvers Savings Bank, Book 9224:

On deposit January 1, 1961	$1,175.15
Interest for the year 1961	45.97
Balance January 1, 1962	$1,221.12

POST WAR REHABILITATION FUND

Interest from U.S. bonds was deposited in the Danvers Savings Bank, Book 15573:

On deposit January 1, 1961	$1,995.61
Interest for the year 1961	78.07
Balance January 1, 1962	$2,073.68

Georgetown Savings Bank, Book 11752:

On deposit January 1, 1961	$2,696.44
Interest for the year 1961	105.47
Balance January 1, 1962	$2,801.91

SARAH P. PERLEY FUND

Andover Savings Bank, Book 38221:

On deposit January 1, 1961	$2,094.41
Interest for the year 1961	79.27
Balance January 1, 1962	$2,173.68

CURTIS AND KILLAM BURIAL LOT FUND

Danvers Savings Bank, Book 8600:	
On deposit January 1, 1961	$339.65
Interest for the year 1961	13.14
	$352.79
Withdrawn	7.00
Balance January 1, 1962	$345.79

EAST PARISH LIBRARY FUND

Lawrence Savings Bank, Book 107894:	
On deposit January 1, 1961	$2,000.00
Interest for the year 1961	78.24
	$2,078.24
Withdrawn	78.24
Balance January 1, 1962	$2,000.00
Salem Five Cents Savings Bank, Book 30898:	
On deposit January 1, 1961	$1,500.00
Interest for the year 1961	58.00
	$1,558.00
Withdrawn	58.00
Balance January 1, 1962	$1,500.00

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL FUNDS

For the year ending December 31, 1961

The funds are invested in the following Savings Banks:

Salem Five Cents Savings Bank Book No. 11474	$1,000.00
Danvers Savings Bank Book No. 5501	2,000.00

Salem Savings Bank Book No. 83786		1,000.00
Haverhill Savings Bank		
Book No. T 2437	On Deposit Jan. 1, 1961	410.59
	Interest for 1961	11.90
	Balance Dec. 31, 1961	422.49
	Total amount of fund	$4,422.49

The interest on the above funds has been sent to the Town Treasurer by check as follows:

Salem Five Cents Savings Bank	$38.14
Danvers Savings Bank	77.50
Salem Savings Bank	38.75
Total	$154.39

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY E. TRASK
RICHARD P. CHADWICK
AMY G. PARKHURST
Committee on School Funds

All of the Bonds and bank books for the preceding Trust Funds are in the custody of the Town Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

LUCY K. PARKHURST,
Treasurer

REPORT OF AUDITS

of

THE ACCOUNTS

of

THE TOWN CLERK

and

THE SEVERAL DEPARTMENTS

(For the Period from August 1, 1959 to March 22, 1961)

of the

TOWN OF BOXFORD

Made in Accordance with the Provisions of
Chapter 44, General Laws

November 14, 1961

To the Board of Selectmen
Mr. Harry L. Cole, Chairman
Boxford, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my report of an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Boxford for the period from August 1, 1959 to March 22, 1961, made in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44, General Laws. This is in the form of a report made to me by Mr. William Schwartz, Assistant Director of Accounts.

Very truly yours,

HERMAN B. DINE,
Director of Accounts

Mr. Herman B. Dine
Director of Accounts
Department of Corporations and Taxation
State House, Boston

Sir:

As directed by you, I have made an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Boxford for the period from August 1, 1959, the date of the previous examination, to March 22, 1961, and submit the following report thereon:

An examination and verification was made of the financial transactions as recorded on the books of the several departments receiving or disbursing money for the town or committing bills for collection.

The town accountant's ledgers were analyzed for the period covered by the audit, the receipts being checked with the treasurer's books and the payments being compared with the warrants authorizing them and with the treasurer's records

of payments. The appropriation accounts and loan authorizations were checked with the town clerk's records of town meeting proceedings, and the recorded transfers from the reserve fund were verified by comparison with the records of the finance committee.

The necessary adjusting entries resulting from the audit were made, and a balance sheet, which is appended to this report, was prepared showing the financial condition of the town on March 22, 1961.

The books and accounts of the treasurer were examined and checked. The receipts, as recorded, were analyzed and checked with the records of the several departments collecting money for the town and with other sources from which money was paid into the town treasury, while the payments were compared with the selectmen's warrants authorizing the treasurer to disburse town funds.

The cash book additions were verified, and the cash balance on March 22, 1961 was proved by actual count of the cash in the office, by reconciliation of the bank balances with statements furnished by the banks of deposit, by verification of the certificates of deposit, and by examination of the savings bank books.

The recorded payments on account of maturing debt and interest were compared with the amounts falling due and checked with the cancelled securities and coupons on file. The outstanding coupons were listed and reconciled with the amount on deposit for their payment, as shown by a statement furnished by the depository.

The savings bank books and securities representing the investment of the trust and investment funds in the custody of the town treasurer and the trustees of the Jonathan Tyler Barker Free School Fund were examined and listed. The income was proved and the transfers to the town were verified by comparison with the treasurer's recorded receipts.

The deductions from employees' salaries for Federal and State taxes, and the county retirement system, were listed and reconciled with the amounts due and paid to the proper agencies.

The records of tax titles held by the town were examined. The additions to the tax titled account were checked with the tax collector's records, and the tax title deeds were listed and reconciled with the town accountant's ledger and with the records at the Registry of Deeds.

The books and accounts of the tax collector were examined and checked. The taxes and excise outstanding at the time of the previous examination, as well as all subsequent commitments, were audited and compared with the assessors' warrants issued for their collection. The reported payments to the treasurer were compared with the treasurer's recorded receipts, the abatements were checked with the assessors' records of abatements granted, and the outstanding accounts were listed and reconciled with the respective controlling ledger accounts.

Aggregates of the outstanding taxes and excise were given to the assessors for recommitment to the newly elected tax collector.

Verifications of the correctness of the outstanding tax and excise accounts was obtained by mailing notices to a number of persons whose names appeared on the books as owing money to the town, the replies received thereto indicating that the accounts, as listed, are correct.

The records of the town clerk pertaining to dog and sporting licenses issued were examined and checked. The payments to the State were checked with the receipts on file and the payments to the town treasurer were verified by comparison with the treasurer's recorded receipts.

The records of departmental cash collections by the selectmen, the building inspector, and the sealer of weights and measures, as well as by the police, health, and school departments, and by all other departments in which money was collected for the town or bills were committed for collection, were examined and checked. The payments to the town treasurer were verified, and the cash on hand in the several departments was proved by actual count.

The surety bonds of the town officials bonded for the

faithful performance of their duties were examined and found to be in proper form.

In addition to the balance sheet, there are appended to this report tables showing a reconciliation of the treasurer's cash, summaries of the tax, excise, tax title, and departmental accounts, as well as schedules showing the condition and transactions of the trust and investment funds.

During the progress of the audit cooperation was received from all town officials, for which, on behalf of my assistants and for myself, I wish to express appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM SCHWARTZ,
Assistant Director of Accounts

BALANCE SHEET — MARCH 22, 1961

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

ASSETS

Cash: General,		$304,923.16
Accounts Receivable:		
Taxes:		
Levy of 1959:		
Poll	$2.00	
Personal Property	10.95	
Real Estate	1,210.71	
		$1,223.66
Levy of 1960:		
Poll	$32.00	
Personal Property	714.44	
Real Estate	9,332.05	
		$10,078.49

Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:		
Levy of 1959	$179.98	
Levy of 1960	5,709.65	
		$5,889.63
Special Taxes:		
Classified Forest Land:		
Levy of 1959	$17.52	
Levy of 1960	31.02	
		$48.54
Tax Titles		1,403.62
Departmental:		
Police	$15.00	
Highway — Snow Removal	434.25	
Disability Assistance	238.46	
Aid to Dependent Children	949.27	
Old Age Assistance:		
Other Cities and Towns	1,433.29	
Medical Assistance for the Aged	141.89	
School	193.52	
		$3,405.68
Aid to Highways:		
State	$15,337.89	
County	500.57	
		$15,838.46
Revenue 1961:		
Appropriations Voted	$506,783.89	
County Hospital Assessment Paid	1,399.26	
County Retirement Assessment Paid	3,246.98	
	$511,430.13	

Deduct:		
Appropriations from Available Funds	—$40,391.84	
Estimated Receipts Collected	— 14,814.95	
		$456,223.34
Loans Authorized:		
School Addition		$21,000.00
Unprovided For or Overdrawn Accounts:		
Underestimate 1960:		
State Recreation Areas Assessment		146.07
		$820,180.65

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Net Funded or Fixed Debt:	
Outside Debt Limit:	
General	$201,000.00

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Trust and Investment Funds:	
Cash and Securities:	
In Custody of Treasurer	$61,049.56
In Custody of Trustees	27,704.54
	$88,574.10

BALANCE SHEET — MARCH 22, 1961

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

Employees' Payroll Deductions:		
Federal Taxes	$770.23	
State Taxes	297.90	
County Retirement System	58.50	
		$1,126.63

Overpayment to be Refunded:		
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:		
Levy of 1960		95.99
Agency:		
County — Dog Licenses		11.75
Trust Fund Transactions:		
Jonathan Tyler Barker Free School Fund		1,900.00
Recoveries:		
Old Age Assistance		197.84
Federal Grants:		
Disability Assistance	$3,191.10	
Aid to Dependent Children	3,649.05	
Old Age Assistance	12,030.76	
Medical Assistance for the Aged	572.65	
School Aid, Public Law 874	5,111.80	
National Defense Education, Title III	164.90	
Revolving Funds:		
School Lunch		1,847.18
Appropriation Balances:		
Revenue:		
General	$452,857.39	
Non-Revenue:		
Cole School Addition	137,921.24	
		$590,778.63
Loans Authorized and Unissued		21,000.00
Overestimate 1960:		
County Tax		101.57
Receipts Reserved for Appropriation:		
Road Machinery		1,974.70
Reserve Fund — Overlay Surplus		43,275.45

Overlay Reserved for Abatement:		
Levy of 1959	$1,198.33	
Levy of 1960	10,078.49	
		$11,276.82
Revenue Reserved Until Collected:		
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	$5,889.63	
Special Tax	48.54	
Tax Title	1,403.62	
Departmental	3,405.68	
Aid to Highway	15,838.46	
		$26,585.93
Surplus Revenue:		
General		95,287.90
		$820,180.65

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Serial Loans:		
Outside Debt Limit:		
School Construction		$201,000.00

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

In Custody of Treasurer:		
Welfare Funds:		
Town Farm	$39,3030.39	
Sarah Perley	2,094.41	
Visiting Nurse Association	1,175.15	
		$42,572.95
School Fund		4,410.59
Library Funds:		
East Parish	$3,500.00	
East Parish — Cote	1,145.34	
West Parish	3,000.00	
		$7,645.34

Cemetery:		
Curtis and Killam		339.65
Investment Fund:		
Post-War Rehabilitation	$4,692.05	
Stabilization Fund	1,388.98	
		$6,081.03
In Custody of Trustees:		
Jonathan Tyler Barker Free School Fund		27,704.54
		$88,574.10

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF BOXFORD

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1961

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL REPORT

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Donald C. Hammond, Chairman	Term expires 1962
LeRoy E. Curtis, Jr., Vice-Chairman	Term expires 1963
Mrs. Shirley MacGill, Secretary	Term expires 1964
David S. Waters	Term expires 1964
E. Arthur Woodbury	Term expires 1963

SUPERINTENDENT

Herbert A. Rouisse

Elementary education in Boxford is a going and growing concern. It is proper to pause and appraise what has been accomplished and what lies ahead.

School Committee Operation

Pursuant to action voted at the Town Meeting of 1960, the membership of the Boxford School Committee was increased from three members to five members, effective with the Annual Town Election in 1961. David S. Waters was elected for a three-year term, after having served several months of the unexpired term of resigned Committeeman Haywood. Mrs. Shirley MacGill was elected to a three-year term and Mr. E. Arthur Woodbury was elected to a two-year term. Not only has the membership of the committee increased, but so has the amount of time devoted to school committee meetings. Sixteen meetings of the school committee were held during 1961. Beginning in September, the school committee has been holding two regular meetings per month.

In an attempt to make its work more effective, the school committee has been developing a policy and regulations book. This is an effort to codify policies adopted in the past and put policy regulations into writing, to serve as a guide to committee members and school personnel in the administration and

supervision of the school program. Among the policies already adopted are those dealing with the operation of the school committee, the superintendency, the principalship, the use of school facilities by the public, homework, and other items. Completion of this policy book in the near future is one of the immediate goals of the school committee.

New Facilities

The highlight of the Boxford elementary education in 1961 was the construction and occupancy of a new wing on the Harry Lee Cole School. This wing, barely completed in time for use in September, comprises seven regular classrooms and a room which will serve as a combination remedial reading room and library. In addition, certain renovations were done in the existing building to provide better facilities for a health room and a teachers' room, as well as enlarging and equipping the kitchen to handle efficiently the expanded lunch program. The School Building Committee is to be complimented for the unusual dispatch, which was shown in the provision of these urgently needed facilities. The enlarged school plant seems to be an excellent educational facility. Certainly the new classrooms are well designed for instructional efficiency as well as being attractive, comfortable rooms.

Curriculum Development

An apparent deficiency in the past has been the lack of courses of study. To help overcome this lack, a series of workshops was instituted. First efforts were made in the fields of science and social studies. Under the leadership of local administrators a tentative course of study in these areas was completed in the fall of the year. These courses of study or curriculum guides outline the areas to be studied and the major concepts to be developed, suggest appropriate learning activities related to these concepts, and provide references to available audio-visual material and related books. These guides serve to give greater uniformity of emphasis among grades and classes, to orient new staff members, to aid teach-

ers in planning, and to aid administrators in the provision of materials. Work on the development of English and arithmetic guides is now in progress. It is hoped that these will be completed at the end of this current school year.

New Services

Certain new educational services have been provided during 1961. One of these was the initiation of a remedial reading program in the late fall of the year. Mrs. Helen Hunter of Tewksbury was secured to fill the position on a regular part-time basis. Through her efforts, and the efforts of the administration and the teachers, all necessary organizational groundwork has been laid, and regular remedial instruction is being given. Those children who have been selected for this additional help have been carefully screened to determine the specific nature of their disability with the subsequent institution of a program aimed directly at remediating those specific difficulties. It is the hope that the reading disabilities on the part of these children will be quickly eliminated and that these pupils can be dismissed from the remedial instruction.

For the past two years certain Boxford elementary children have been receiving instruction in French, which has been for the most part based around the television series presented over Channel 2. With the progress of these children and their increasing skill in French, it was decided that the services of a French specialist were necessary. Mrs. Isabelle A. Griffin of Boxford was elected to be a regular part-time position starting in September, 1961. She meets with the classes from Grades 4, 5, and 6, on a regular basis. In Grade 4 all children take French; whereas, in Grades 5 and 6 there is some measure of selection. The television broadcasts are still used, but the children receive regular classes in addition. Discussions have been held with the administration of the Masconomet Regional High School, with the hope that special provisions for advanced French instruction in Grade 7 will

be made for these Boxford pupils. Pupils entering Masconomet from Topsfield and Middleton will not have had previous study in French.

An instrumental music program was also instituted for the first time this fall. Under the direction of the Music Supervisor, Miss Sandra Shore, and Principal Ritchie, plans were made for such instruction. Musical demonstrations were made available to children in Grades 4, 5, and 6. Schedules were drawn up to permit some 35 pupils to receive instrumental instruction. Ensemble work will commence shortly with the expectation that an elementary school band will eventually be developed.

Again in the fall, a library program was put into operation. Using the space made available in the new wing, and with the stock of books which had been built up over the past couple of years for this purpose, pupils were able to use the library for special study and to withdraw books. The Parent-Teacher Association has been most cooperative in taking over the large task of cataloging all the books and properly preparing them for use. In addition, the Parent-Teacher Association has made available a substantial sum of money for purchase of library books. As the stock of books increases, it is hoped that regular library periods will be scheduled. Such a service as this could be of real significance in our elementary school program.

In September, a part-time school secretary was added to the school staff. Mrs. Ann Love of Boxford was appointed to this position. She assists the Principal and the teaching staff in the handling of many tasks of a clerical nature. This help has proved very valuable. The key significance to this position is that it should make possible more effective supervision on the part of the Principal of a rapidly growing and expanding school.

Health Service

Under the direction of Dr. Fred Nahil, School Physician, and Miss Ruth Barnard, School Nurse, the school health needs of an expanding pupil enrollment were met. Of real help in

this program was the provision of a Health Room in September with the opening of the new facilities, well equipped with suitable furnishings and new vision and hearing testing machines. The listing below indicates the scope of the health services beyond the usual work of first aid, caring for ill children, height and weight checks, and the maintenance of records:

Physical Examinations: Grades 1 and 4, 70 pupils — Two clinic referrals.

Vision Tests: All grades, 350 pupils — Six referrals, all treated.

Hearing Tests: All grades, 350 pupils — Four referrals, under care.

Diphtheria-Tetanus: Grades 1 and 4, 78 pupils — Innoculations.

Salk Vaccine: All grades, 49 pupils.

T.B. Patch Tests: All results negative.

Maintenance Program

A program of maintenance to keep the buldings at a high level of appearance and economy has been continued. The outside sash and trim work on the Aaron Wood and the Harry Lee Cole Schools was painted as well as some inside work in both the Wood and the Cole Schools. A new electrical service was provided for the Aaron Wood School, eliminating a troublesome and potentially dangerous system. Certain electrical circuits in the Cole School were rewired, this also being done to eliminate a potentially dangerous condition. A number of defective asphalt tiles were replaced in the Cole School. Extensive repairs were made to the roof of the Cole School, apparently solving a leakage problem which had existed for some years. Part of the cost of this was paid for by the bonding company of the original roofer. The net effect of this work has been to make these facilities safer and more attractive and will, in the long run, prevent the more expensive repairs which would eventually become necessary if such maintenance work had not been carried out.

School Lunch Program

The addition of the new wing to the Cole School brought with it the enlargement of the kitchen. More space and new equipment was provided. Among this new equipment were a larger dishwasher, a meat slicer, a potato peeler, a refrigerator, a work table and a bake oven. The staff was increased to three full-time workers and a regular part-time worker. This made possible the elimination of the use of student help in the kitchen.

The growth in the lunch program is well shown by a few simple figures, starting with the 1959-1960 school year, in which year Grades 7 and 8 first went to the Regional High School:

Year	Meals Served	Average Daily
1959-1960	23,249	134
1960-1961	26,737	165
1961-1962	40,960*	248*

* Estimate for year based on first four months.

The charge made to pupils is twenty-five cents. In addition to the receipts from sales to pupils, a reimbursement of nine cents per meal and certain commodities are received from the National School Lunch Program. All operating costs of the program are paid through these funds, with no further expenditures from the Town. The program operated at a slight profit for the year.

Regional Cooperation

Every effort is being made to provide better cooperation and coordination among the three regional district towns and between the elementary and secondary level. The three superintendents meet regularly to discuss mutual problems and promote greater coordination. The representative to the Regional School District Committee from the local committee reports regularly at School Committee meetings, in an effort to bring important matters to the attention of the local school committee and to serve as a liaison agent between those two groups.

Such efforts at coordination are vital in this region, where there are four school committees and three superintendents.

Community Service

To a very large extent, the Cole School has served as a community center as well as an educational institution. The number of groups and organizations using it is considerable and varied. Among these are the Boy Scouts, the Cub Scouts, and the Girl Scouts. The P.T.A. uses the buildiing for its regular meetings and also for dance classes which they sponsor for children as well as adults. Regular Town Meetings are held in the auditorium and the building is used for the meetings of official Town boards such as the School Committee and the School Building Committee. Occasional uses are made by organizations such as the Red Cross and the Grange. While certain costs in connection with these are paid for out of the School Budget, it should be noted that a considerable reimbursement has been made directly to the Town to the extent that there is actually little net cost on the part of the Town. In addition, in the summertime the school ball field is used for Little League activities.

New Instructional Materials

A considerable effort has been made during the past year to provide a wide variety of instructional material for the pupils. Not only is it necessary to have current sets of basal textbooks in all the basic subject areas, but there should be a supply of supplemental material and special instructional items. In the key field of reading the use of more than one basal reading book is dictated if a well-rounded, enriched program is the goal. With this in mind, co-basal reading books have been provided and additional supplementary reading material has been provided along with some specialized material. For example, the so-called SRA Readinig Laboratories, kits of individualized reading material, have been provided for use in the intermediate grades. These laboratories, which

have proven their worth in many other school systems, will afford one more avenue of approach for our Boxford elementary pupils to achieve real competence in reading. Another item geared toward the provision of a well-rounded reading program is the controlled reader. The controlled reader is essentially a film strip machine which projects printed material at a predetermined rate from 80 words per minute to 780 words per minute. Not only can it be used to help pupils improve their speed of reading, but it can be helpful in combating such poor reading habits as regression, i.e., returning to words previously read, and helpful in forming such good habits as heightened concentration and attention and better directional attack. In the primary grade, additional phonics materials were provided to supplement the phonics already presented as part of the basal reading program. It is felt that phonics is one very important part of the reading program and, while it is certainly not the sole approach to the teaching of reading, every effort is being made to afford each pupil a good background in this skill.

A Look Ahead

In spite of the fact that new facilities have just been put into use, it is necessary to alert the Town to the need for additional school rooms in the near future. All indications point to a continuing elementary school population growth, requiring the provision of approximately two additional classrooms each year. The thirteen rooms in the Cole School and two in the Wood School are now in use. In September, the two standard classrooms in the Morse School will be returned to use. Thus, by September, 1963, it appears that Boxford will again have a shortage of classroom space. Preliminary planning to meet this need should be begun immediately to insure that the difficult decisions facing the Town on this matter can be based on thorough study and careful judgment.

A continuous program of evaluation of the educational program is dictated by the nature of the times, rapid growth of Boxford, spiraling costs, and the impending significant

changes in instructional techniques, materials and organization. Every aspect of the program must be regularly scrutinized with the thought that new approaches may be more effective. Programmed teaching — the so-called teaching machines — is still in the experimental and developmental stage. Yet, even its opponents concede that it will make a tremendous impact on schools in the very near future. Team teaching, team learning, the non-graded school, and other such approaches are well-established experimental developments, being done with tremendous support and leadership. While no one of these will become, in toto, the new universal approach, they will bring about significant changes in organization, materials, and techniques. Already buildings have been and are being constructed to house classes of varying sizes. Already publishing companies are producing materials designed for team learning.

A small school system such as Boxford's cannot, in a real sense, be in the vanguard of these experiments. The resources are just not available. But it should be alert to new movements and ready to adapt to its particular organization and needs the new concepts, techniques and material from these experiments looming so large in our education horizon.

ENROLLMENT OCTOBER 1, 1961

HARRY LEE COLE

Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	Totals
Boys	36	35	13	37	34	30	185
Girls	35	33	14	25	27	23	157
Total	71	68	27	62	61	53	342

AARON WOOD

Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	Totals
Boys			30				30
Girls			23				23
			53				53

SCHOOL CENSUS

Ages	5-7	7-16	16-21	Totals
Boys	35	278	30	343
Girls	36	249	28	313
Total	71	527	58	656

SCHOOL CALENDAR

1962

Winter Term

January	2	School reopens
February	16	Winter recess — school closes at regular time
February	26	School reopens
April	13	Spring recess — school closes at regular time

Spring Term

April	23	School reopens
May	30	Memorial Day — no school
June	22	School closes for summer vacation

Fall Term

September	4 and 5	Teacher Orientation
September	6 and 7	School in session — dismissal at 12:00
September	10	School opens regular full time sessions
October	12	Columbus Day — no school
October	17	County Teachers' Convention — no school
November	21	Thanksgiving Recess, school closes at noon
November	26	School reopens
December	21	Christmas recess — school closes at regular time

NO-SCHOOL SIGNAL

No-school announcements will be broadcast over WBZ, WNAC, WHAV and WESX between 7:00 and 7:30 A.M., if there is no school for the day. Announcements regarding No-school are made by the Boxford Superintendent for the elementary schools only. Announcements for the Masconomet Regional High School will be made by the Regional Superintendent and will be so designated.

In addition, three long blasts will be given on the local fire alarm in Boxford Village and West Boxford at 7:15 A.M. to designate No-school for the elementary classes for the day.

During stormy or extremely cold weather, parents are urged to exercise their own judgment in sending their children to school.

REIMBURSEMENTS FOR 1961

General School Fund, Chapter 70	$38,767.47
Union Superintendent of Schools	1,306.55
All School Transportation	12,369.40
	$52,443.42

BOXFORD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BUDGET FOR 1962

1. GENERAL CONTROLS	
School Committee	
Salary of Clerk	$300.00
Expenses of Committee	150.00
Superintendent	
Salary	4,300.00
Travel within state	232.00
Travel without state	74.00
Salary of Clerks	1,715.00

Office Expenses	350.00	
Census	75.00	
Attendance Officer	10.00	
		$7,206.00
2. EXPENSES OF INSTRUCTION		
Supervisors	$12,315.00	
Supervisor's Expense	200.00	
Teachers		
Elementary	89,165.00	
Substitutes	1,165.00	
Home Teachers	200.00	
Textbooks	2,430.00	
Supplies		
Elementary	2,100.00	
Physical Education	200.00	
Audio Visual	300.00	
Guidance	200.00	
Remedial Reading	200.00	
Music	200.00	
		$108,675.00
3. OPERATION OF PLANT		
Janitors' Salaries	$6,842.00	
Fuel	3,700.00	
Light and Power	2,270.00	
Janitors' Supplies	1,200.00	
Telephones	200.00	
Reimbursable Janitors' Salaries	550.00	
Rubbish Collection and Snow Removal	250.00	
Contingency	300.00	
		$15,312.00
4. MAINTENANCE		
Specific Repairs and Replacements	$1,150.00	
Emergency Repairs	750.00	
		$1,900.00

5. AUXILIARY AGENCIES		
Health		
Nurse	$1,200.00	
Physician	417.00	
Medical Supplies	60.00	
Transportation		
Regular	23,223.00	
Educational Trips	200.00	
Vocational	100.00	
Special Class	1,225.00	
Tuition	500.00	
Teachers' Workshop	75.00	
Insurance	5,712.00	
School Library	350.00	
School Lunch Supervision	1,440.00	
Matching Funds — Title III	200.00	
Contingency	300.00	
		$35,002.00
6. OUTLAY		
New Equipment		$408.00
		$168,503.00

ESTIMATED REIMBURSEMENTS 1962

General School Funds, Chapter 70	$45,462.62	
Union Superintendent of Schools	1,306.67	
All School Transportation	18,035.40	
		$64,804.69
LOCAL NET COST		$103,698.31

TEACHERS' DIRECTORY

As of January 1, 1962

Name	Grade or Subject	School	Appointment	Graduate of
Joseph P. Ritchie	Principal	Cole	1956	Boston College
Gladys MacPherson	6	Cole	1942	Plymouth N.H. State College
Mary Welch	6	Cole	1958	Bridgewater State College
Dorothea D'Agostino	5	Cole	1960	Farmington State College
Ruth E. Morin	5	Cole	1950	Hyannis State College
Helen Chadwick	4	Cole	1955	Bridgewater State College
Geraldine Drummey	4	Cole	1960	Lowell State College
Marie Audet	3	Cole	1959	Salem State College
Dorothy Carver	2	Cole	1939	Salem State College
Carol V. Mansfield	2	Cole	1960	Salem State College
Rita C. Wade	2	Cole	1960	Boston State College
Enid Davis	1	Cole	1961	So. Connecticut State College
Lelia Millay	1	Cole	1944	Farmington State College
Geraldine West	1	Cole	1958	Salem State College
Isabelle Griffin	French	Cole	1961	Regis College
Helen R. Hunter	Reading	Cole	1961	Tufts University
Anne Bixby	3	Wood	1961	Wellesley College
Inge Wolff	3	Wood	1961	Keene Teachers College
Sandra Shore	Music		1961	Boston Conservatory of Music
Lois Tenney	Art		1961	Massachusetts College of Art

WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Essex, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Boxford, in said County.

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Boxford, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs to meet in the Masconomet Regional School, Boxford, on Monday, the fifth day of March next, at 8:00 o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

Article 1. To hear and act on the reports of the Town Officers and Committees.

Article 2. To act on the suggested budget and see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the use of the several departments for the current year, to wit: Schools, Highways and Bridges, Charities, Health, Veterans' Benefits, Street Lighting, Moth Suppression, Memorial Day, Forest Warden, Town Halls, Elections, Interest on Loans, Sealer of Weights and Measures, Town Clerk, Accountant, Selectmen and all other necessary and proper expenses arising during said year.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate $1,500.00 or other suitable sum, for the maintenance of Road Machinery, said amount to be transferred from the Road Machinery Fund.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate $7,000.00 for the Reserve Fund, said amount to be transferred from Overlay Reserve.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1962, and to issue

a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

Article 6. To allow bills of charge and to raise and appropriate money for paying the same.

Article 7. To see what compensation the Town will vote to pay for labor in the several departments for the ensuing year.

Article 8. To appropriate $438.11 refunded from the County on account of dog licenses for libraries or schools.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,100.00 to be divided equally between the two libraries of the Town for use toward the maintenance of said libraries; or take any action relative thereto.

Article 10. To see if the Town will accept the provisions of Chapter 760 of the Acts of 1960 relative to State Aid for Public Libraries.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, a sum not exceeding $19,000.00 for the purpose of providing the Town's share of the cost of the Regional District School Committee to pay for an architect, or other professional services, to draw plans and specifications for a regional junior high school to be erected on land already owned by the Regional School District, in accordance with the original agreement with the towns of Topsfield and Middleton establishing the Regional School District as amended by vote of the member towns in 1961, and to direct the Town Treasurer to pay over said sum to the Regional District School Committee to be used only in conjunction with funds appropriated by the other two member towns for this purpose.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote under Chapter 41, Section 4A, to authorize the selectmen to appoint any of their members to other boards or committees.

Article 13. To see whether the Town will vote to change the name of Bare Hill Road to Bear Hill Road.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $6,250.00 to be used in conjunction with State and County funds to continue the improvement of Washington Street under Chapter [illegible]

Artcle 15. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Surplus Revenue the sum of $36,075.00 to meet the State and County allotments for highways, the money when reimbursed to be credited to Surplus Revenue.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $104,000.00 or any other sum, for the purpose of adding to the stabilization fund as provided by Section 5B, Chapter 40, General Laws, and determine whether the money shall be provided by taxation or by transfer of available funds in the treasury.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the amount of $15,000.00 to be used by the School Building Committee for the purpose of engaging an architect to draw up preliminary plans for additional elementary school facilities, and for associated engineering services.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to have the Town Reports printed and distributed at least fourteen days prior to the Annual Town Meeting.

Article 19. To see if the Town will:

A. Accept a parcel of land 50 feet wide by 350 feet long on the east end of property of C. D. Cahoon, connecting Topsfield Road to the town recreation area.

B. Extend with this parcel an additional 300 feet in the recreation area, both parcels to be used as public access to the recreation area.

C. Transfer the existing 20 foot wide access road to the recreation area to Mr. C. D. Cahoon in exchange for the above.

Article 20. To see whether the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of $15,000.00 or other proper sum for the purchase of a new 750 gallon pumping engine for the fire department, or take any action in the matter.

Article 21. To see whether the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of $5,000.00 or other proper sum, for the purpose of repairing and adding to the garage facilities for the fire department.

Article 22. To see whether the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of $1,000.00, or other proper sum, for the construction and installation of "dry hydrants," so-called by the fire department.

Article 23. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of $2,200.00 to trade the present police cruiser for a 1962 model.

Article 24. To see whether the Town will amend the Zoning By-Law in accordance with proposal recommended by the Planning Board and on file with the Town Clerk, or take any other action in the matter.

Article 25. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

You are hereby ordered to notify and warn said qualified voters to meet in the Town Hall, Boxford, on Tuesday, the sixth day of March next, for the following purposes, viz: To choose by ballot the following Town Officers for the ensuing year: Moderator for one year; Selectmen for three years; Collector of Taxes for one year; Assessor of Taxes for three years; Town Clerk for three years; School Committee for three years; Board of Health for three years; Surveyor of Highways, East Parish, for one year; Surveyor of Highways, West Parish, for one year; Tree Warden for one year; Constable, East Parish, for one year; Constable, West Parish, for one year; one member of the Planning Board for five years; one member of the Regional District School Committee for three years, and the following:

Question.

"Shall licenses be granted in this town for the sale therein of alcoholic beverages in taverns?" YES ..... NO .....

THE POLLS WILL BE OPEN AT 12:00 NOON AND WILL CLOSE AT 8:00 P.M.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof at each of the public meeting houses in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this tenth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixty-two.

HARRY L. COLE

JOHN G. BOLTON

FRANKLIN C. ROBERTS, JR.

Board of Selectmen

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OF THE

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MASSACHUSETTS

FOR THE

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TOWN OFFICERS

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

John G. Bolton	Term expires 1963
Franklin C. Roberts, Jr.	Term expires 1964
Harry L. Cole	Term expires 1965

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE
Selectmen

CENTRAL ESSEX WELFARE DISTRICT
Mrs. Phyllis R. Brown, Director

NORTH ANDOVER and BOXFORD DISTRICT DEPT. OF VETERANS' SERVICE
Bernard W. Bingham, District Director

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

J. Warren Chadwick	Term expires 1963
Harry L. Cole	Term expires 1964
Harry E. Trask	Term expires 1965

TOWN TREASURER

Lucy K. Parkhurst	Term expires 1964

TOWN CLERK

E. Laurence Colby	Term expires 1965
Barbara C. Perley, Assistant	Term expires 1965

MODERATOR
William J. Greenler, Jr.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES
Frederick A. Smallman

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

LeRoy Elliott Curtis, Jr.	Term expires 1963
E. Arthur Woodbury (Resigned)	Term expires 1963
John R. Benson	Term expires 1963
Shirley L. MacGill	Term expires 1964
David S. Waters (Resigned)	Term expires 1964
Peter K. Race	Term expires 1965

BOARD OF HEALTH

Stephen Maddock, M.D. — Term expires 1963
Raymond Perley — Term expires 1964
Harry L. Cole — Term expires 1965

TREE WARDEN

Alerson E. Noyes

HIGHWAY SURVEYORS

Clinton E. French
B. Robert Cunningham

CONSTABLES

Nathaniel N. Love, Jr.
Walter H. Gamans, Jr.

CHIEF OF POLICE

Nathaniel N. Love, Jr.

MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

Alerson E. Noyes

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Chester A. Leighton

COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL FUNDS

Amy G. Parkhurst
Harry E. Trask
Richard P. Chadwick

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Barbara C. Perley — Term expires 1965

CHIEF OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Archer N. French

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

William J. Greenler, D.V.M.

INSPECTORS OF SLAUGHTERING

Charles H. Foster
Samuel E. Lawes

TRUANT AND ATTENDANCE OFFICERS

Archer N. French
Clayton A. Nelson

DOG OFFICER
James P. Gray

FOREST WARDEN
Archer N. French

FENCE VIEWERS
Selectmen

REGIONAL DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Merton S. Barrows	Term expires 1963
Hans W. Barber	Term expires 1965

PLANNING BOARD

Charles P. A. Nelson	Term expires 1963
E. Laurence Colby	Term expires 1964
J. Warren Chadwick	Term expires 1965
William E. Dorman	Term expires 1965
Simeon S. Pearl	Term expires 1966
Warren R. Godfrey	Term expires 1966
Charles L. Cotton	Term expires 1967

TRUSTEE OF BOXFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY
Seth L. Kelsey

CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR
Gordon A. Russell

DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF CIVIL DEFENSE
Henry W. Nason

BUILDING INSPECTOR
Henry W. Nason

WIRE INSPECTOR
Herbert W. Sperry

TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE

Walter K. Morss	Term expires 1963
Winthrop P. Haynes	Term expires 1964
Robert B. Parkhurst	Term expires 1965

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Bruno E. Prevost (Resigned)	Term expires 1963
Arion C. Pierce	Term expires 1963
Gerrit Fort, Jr.	Term expires 1964
DeWitt T. Minich	Term expires 1965
Thomas E. Cargill, Jr.	Term expires 1966
Charles Rich	Term expires 1967

TOWN COUNSEL

William J. Greenler, Jr.

APPEAL BOARD

Paul G. Edwards	Term expires 1963
Charles A. Kane, M.D.	Term expires 1964
John A. Chew	Term expires 1965

APPEAL BOARD ALTERNATE

John P. Marsh	Term expires 1964
Ronald Houldsworth	Term expires 1965

RECREATIONAL COMMITTEE

Marion M. Colby	Term expires 1963
David G. Doughty	Term expires 1963
Benjamin W. Freeman (Resigned)	Term expires 1964
William R. Davis	Term expires 1964
Shirley MacGill	Term expires 1965
A. Gordon Price	Term expires 1965

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Stuart K. Harris	Term expires 1962
Edward L. French	Term expires 1962
Dorothy Woodbury	Term expires 1963
Seth L. Kelsey	Term expires 1963
Winthrop P. Haynes	Term expires 1964

SPECIAL POLICE

Clinton E. French
Henry W. Nason
Cecil Farnsworth
Ethel Walker
Walter H. Gamans, Jr.
Fred D. Newell, Jr.
George E. Inch
James P. Gray
Charles H. Getchell (Resigned)
Earle Blake
James T. Stromberg
Peter L. Vrettos
Harold O. Sederquest
Paul A. Genest

RESERVE POLICE FOR CIVIL DEFENSE

Harold R. Johnson
Horace D. Moore
Ernest M. Mortimer
Francis S. Smith
John F. Berg

SWORN WEIGHERS
MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK
SURVEYORS OF LUMBER
FIELD DRIVERS

BOXFORD DATA

The Town of Boxford was incorporated in 1865.

Population (1960 census), 2010.

Area in square miles, 24.39.

Boxford is in the Third Essex Senatorial District and in the Ninth Essex Representative District.

The Senator is Phillip A. Graham, 293 Bridge Street, Hamilton, Massachusetts.

The Representative is Paul G. Zollo, 13 Forest Street, Danvers, Massachusetts.

The Building Inspector is Henry W. Nason, Washington Street, West Boxford. Telephone — Haverhill, DRake 2-2320.

The Wire Inspector is Herbert W. Sperry, Main Street, West Boxford. Telephone — Haverhill, DRake 2-7649.

The Sanitary Engineer is Tracy I. Flagg, 111 Collins Street, Danvers. Telephone (evenings) — SPring 4-4979.

LIST OF JURORS — 1962-1963

Brooks, Donald A., purchasing agent, Mill Road, Boxford.

Clay, George R., retired, off Main Street, West Boxford.

Davidson, Frank C., mechanic, Cross Road, Boxford.

Freeman, Benjamin W., engineer, Middleton Road, Boxford.

Galloway, Harold R., engineer, Middleton Road, Boxford.

Hoogerzeil, Norman P., inspector, Depot Road, Boxford.

Hopping, George F. W., retired, Highland Road, West Boxford.

Killam, Charles E., construction, Ipswich Road, Boxford.

Killam, Rachael F., clerk, Middleton Road, Boxford.

Little, Ernest W., caretaker, Middleton Road, Boxford.

MacPherson, William E., nurseryman, Ipswich Road, Boxford.

Marsh, John P., lamp manufacturer, Elm Street, Boxford.

Morss, Stanwood R., fruit specialist, Lake Shore Road, West Boxford.

Pearl, Raymond, agriculturist, Main Street, West Boxford.

Pitman, Norman W., heat treater, Main Street, West Boxford.

Poirier, Marie J., housewife, Topsfield Road, Boxford.

Poor, Robert A., wood worker, Main Street, Boxford.

Reed, Shirley M., housewife, King William's Court, Boxford.

Robinson, Luther S., caretaker, Middleton Road, Boxford.

Shattuck, Otis E., retired, Ipswich Road, West Boxford.

Thomas, Catherine, housewife, Baldpate Road, Boxford.

Whittaker, Stuart B., engineer, Woodcrest Road, Boxford.

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, MARCH 5, 1962

The voters of Boxford met at the Masconomet Regional District High School at 8 p.m. on March 5, 1962 with about 275 residents present. William J. Greenler, Jr., the moderator, called for a moment of silent prayer before opening the meeting.

Charles Love, representing the Explorer Scouts, presented the town with a new 50-star flag, and Mr. Harry L. Cole, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, accepted the gift. Other Explorer Scouts on the stage were Christopher Cross, David French, and Kent Nickerson.

Harry E. Trask, Chairman of the Board of Assessors presented Mr. Simeon S. Pearl with a scroll in recognition of his 36 years at tax collector from 1925 to March 1961. Mrs. Simeon Pearl received a bouquet of flowers.

The action taken on the business meeting was as follows:

Article 1. Voted to accept the reports of the various Town Officers and Committees as printed in the Annual Town Report.

Article 2. Voted to adopt the budget as printed with the following changes: Planning Board increased from $750.00 to $1,500.00; Snow Removal and Sanding increased from $12,000.00 to $14,000.00; Town Reports increased from $955.00 to $1,100.00; and $1,500.00 was allotted to the Conservation Fund.

Article 3. Voted to appropriate $1,500.00 for the maintenance of Road Machinery, said amount to be transferred from Road Machinery Fund.

Article 4. Voted to appropriate $7,000.00 for the Reserve Fund, said amount to be transferred from Overlay Reserve.

Article 5. Voted to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1962, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, of the General Laws.

Article 6. Voted to pass over.

Article 7. Voted to pass over.

Article 8. Voted to appropriate $438.11 refunded from the County on account of dog licenses, said sum to be divided equally between the two libraries of the town.

Article 9. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,100.00 to be divided equally between the two libraries of the town for use toward the maintenance of said libraries.

Article 10. Voted to accept the provisions of Ch. 760 of the Acts of 1960 relative to State Aid for Public Libraries.

Article 11. Voted to raise and appropriate $18,270.00 for the purpose of providing the Town's share of the cost of the Regional District School Committee to pay for an architect, or other professional services, to draw plans and specifications for a regional junior high school to be erected on land already owned by the Regional School District, in accordance with the original agreement with the towns of Topsfield and Middleton establishing the Regional School District as amended by vote of the member towns in 1961, and to direct the Town Treasurer to pay over said sum to the Regional District School Committee to be used only in conjunction with funds appropriated by the other member towns for this purpose.

Article 12. Voted under Chapter 41, Section 4a, to authorize the Selectmen to appoint any of their members to serve as Veteran's Agent without salary.

Article 13. Voted to pass over.

Article 14. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $6,250.00 to be used in conjunction with State and County funds to continue the improvement of Washington St. unde Chapter 90.

Article 15. Voted to appropriate from Surplus Revenue the sum of $36,075.00 to meet the State and County allotments for highways, the money when reimbursed to be credited to Surplus Revenue.

Article 16. Voted to transfer from available funds the sum of $104,000.00 for the purpose of adding to the stabilization fund as provided by Section 5B, Chapter 40, of the General Laws.

Article 17. Voted to raise and appropriate $15,000.00 to be used by the School Building Committee for the purpose of engaging an architect to draw up preliminary plans for additional elementary school facilities, and for associated engineering services.

Article 18. No action taken.

Article 19. Voted to accept from Charles D. Cahoon of Boxford, a strip of land 50' wide x 352' long, running between Topsfield Road and the Town Recreation Area; and as an extension of this, make available as a way, open to the public in the town recreation area, a strip of land 50' wide x 500' long, this 852' by 50' to have a 24 foot wide road, constructed by C. D. Cahoon at his expense, to meet town specifications; and to direct the selectmen to transfer the existing road to the town recreation area 20' wide by 347' long to C. D. Cahoon or his nominee, all as per drawing submitted to Town Clerk.

Article 20. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $15,000.00 for the purchase of a new 750 gallon pumping engine for the fire department.

Article 21. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $5,000.00 for the purpose of repairing and adding to the garage facilities for the Fire Department.

Article 22. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,000.00 for the construction and installation of "dry hydrants," so-called, by the Fire Department.

Article 23. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,200.00 to trade the present police cruiser for a 1962 model.

Article 24. A proposal to amend the Zoning By-Law was defeated 145 yes, 89 no. A two-thirds vote is required for passage. The vote was taken by secret ballot with the use of check lists.

Article 25. Some clarification of the alcoholic beverage question on the town election ballot was made under this article.

The meeting was adjourned at 12 o'clock.

A true record:

Attest:

E. LAURENCE COLBY,
Town Clerk

BUDGET ADOPTED FOR 1963

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Selectmen	$ 1,450.00
Board of Public Welfare	300.00
Assessors	2,250.00
Treasurer	750.00
Town Clerk	550.00
Collector of Taxes	2,000.00
Town Accountant	2,500.00
Registrars	400.00
Elections	600.00
Planning Board	1,500.00
Appeal Board	350.00
Building Inspector	900.00

Wire Inspector	850.00
Finance Committee	50.00
Town Counsel	500.00
Board of Health	3,300.00
Inspection of Slaughtering	1,000.00
Inspector of Animals	50.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures	35.00
Dog Officer	70.00
Police	6,100.00
Forest Warden	2,000.00
Fire Warden	5,830.00
Tree Warden	2,000.00
Moth Suppression	1,500.00
Dutch Elm Disease Control	2,000.00
Public Welfare Disability Assistance Aid to Dependent Children Old Age Assistance Medical Aid for the Aged	20,000.00
Central Essex Welfare District Administration	621.30
Veterans' Benefits	1,500.00
School	168,503.00
Regional District School	183,491.70
Highways and Bridges, Selectmen's Fund	1,000.00
Chapter 81—Maintenance	3,150.00
Snow Removal and Sanding	14,000.00
Street Lighting	850.00
Vacation Account	1,200.00
Sick Benefit	250.00
Town Halls	1,700.00
Public Grounds	300.00
Town Forest	100.00
Civil Defense	400.00
Insurance	6,037.00
Memorial Day	375.00
Soldiers' Graves	225.00
Mt. Vernon Cemetery	50.00

Harmony Cemetery		150.00
Boxford Village Cemetery		150.00
Town Reports		1,100.00
Clerical		1,000.00
Selectmen's Contingent Fund		500.00
Interest on Maturing Debt		3,100.00
School House Notes		67,000.00
Community House		100.00
Land Damage		250.00
Recreation Committee		1,800.00
Conservation Fund		1,500.00
Total Budget		$519,238.00
OTHER AMOUNTS TO BE RAISED AND APPROPRIATED:		
Article 9	$1,100.00	
Article 11	18,270.00	
Article 14	6,250.00	
Article 17	15,000.00	
Article 20	15,000.00	
Article 21	5,000.00	
Article 22	1,000.00	
Article 23	2,200.00	
Article 23	2,200.00	$63,820.00
Total to be raised and appropriated		$583,058.00
TRANSFERS:		
Article 3	$1,500.00	
Article 4	7,000.00	
Article 8	438.11	
Article 15	36,075.00	
Article 16	104,000.00	
Total Transfers		$149,013.11

E. LAURENCE COLBY,
Town Clerk

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, OCTOBER 26, 1962

The voters of Boxford met at Masconomet Regional District School on October 26, 1962, at 8 P.M. with William J. Greenler, Jr., presiding as moderator. After a moment of silent prayer, the articles of the warrant were acted upon as follows:

Article 1. Voted 269 yes, 4 no, by hand vote, that the zoning by-law be amended by substituting the latest "Proposed Revised Zoning By-Law" for which public hearings were held on August 20th, and September 10th, 1962; which revision as set forth in the document on file with the Town Clerk and with the following changes as set forth in the recommendation and report of the Planning Board also on file with the Town Clerk and submitted herewith:

Page 2 — Zoning map date to read August 20, 1962.

Page 5 — (Section V-A-3): Delete word "residences" and substitute word "residents."

Page 6 — (Section V-B-1): Delete "all agricultural uses permitted in other districts" and substitute "all uses permitted in Section V-A, subsections 2, 3, 5, 6, 9, 11 (h) and 11 (i).

Page 7 — Add new section 10 (g) "Rest or nursing home."

Page 9 — (Section V, subsection E ("C") at end of second paragraph on top of page 9): Delete "Section VI-B-(c)-2" and substitute "Section VI-B-2-(c)."

Page 10 — (Section V, subsection E ("C") (e) last paragraph next to last line): Delete "Agricultural District or in" and substitute "Agricultural District, or if."

Page 11 — (Section VI-B, subsection 2): After "Lot Area" insert "(lot as defined in section VIII, subsection 7)."

Page 11 — (Section VI, subsection 2-b): Delete "the minimum lot area in" and substitute "The minimum lot area within" — ,also add to paragraph "except as provided in Section V-B-10-f."

Page 13 — (Section VI-B-6 (b)): Delete "VI-H" and substitute "Section VI-H, and."

Page 17 — (Section VI-G-1 (a)): Delete "neighboring building, as hereinafter defined," and substitute "building on an abutting lot."

Page 18 — (Section VI-H): Delete "after such submission" and substitute "after submission to the Planning Board."

Page 20 — (Section VIII, Item 7, 3rd line): Delete "described in an application for a permit" — also delete (6th line) "accompanying application for a building permit."

Page 20 — (Section IX, Item A): Add the following — "The Inspector of Buildings with the approval of the Board of Selectmen may, and if required by them, shall institute appropriate legal proceedings to enforce this By-Law and restrain by injunction any violations thereof."

Page 21 — (Section IX-D): Add "whenever such permit is refused because of some provision of this By-Law, the reason therefor shall be clearly stated in writing."

Page 23 — (Section X-G- 2nd paragraph): Delete "together with deed and bill of sale to Town."

Article 2. Voted to transfer the sum of $100.00 from Memorial Day account to the Land Damage Account.

Article 3. Voted to transfer the sum of $150.00 from the Road Machinery Fund to the Road Machinery Maintenance Account.

Article 4. Voted to transfer $400.00 from the Insurance Account — $200.00 to Elections and $200.00 to Civil Defense.

Article 5. Voted to postpone indefinitely.

Article 6. Voted 230 yes, 91 no, by hand vote that certain property, now of Maurice H. Shulman et ux and Moses Alper et ux containing approximately 219 acres, located northerly of Ipswich Road and easterly of Baldpate Road, Boxford, bounded and described as follows:

Bounded generally southerly and southwesterly by Ipswich Road, 1,815'; generally westerly by Baldpate Road, 2,417'; northeasterly, northwesterly, southwesterly and northwesterly by

Lot 3, land now or formerly or Shulman-Alpers, 165.79', 244.78', 125.10', and 77' respectively; generally northerly by Baldpate Pond, 3,047'; easterly, northerly, westerly, and northerly by land now or formerly of John H. Chaplin Estate, 610', 1,298', 409', and 295' respectively; generally northeasterly by land now or formerly of Ralph Morse and land now or formerly of Elmer S. Jones et al, by a brook and approximately by the Boxford-Georgetown Town Line, 840'; northerly by said Elmer S. Jones et al 368'; southeasterly by Georgetown Road, 1,355'; southwesterly and westerly, southerly, and easterly by land now or formerly of the New England Power Company, 571', 158', and 401', respectively; southerly by land now or formerly of James P. Gray et ux and land now or formerly of Stockman Trust, 964'; generally southeasterly by land now or formerly of said Stockman Trust, 1,540'; southwesterly, southeasterly, southerly, easterly, northeasterly, and southeasterly by land now or formerly of the Estate of Abbie N. C. Perley, 1,615', 1,509', 70', 437', 293', and 349' respectively. All of the foregoing distances being more or less, ~~expecting~~ EXCEPTING from the above description all land located in the Town of Georgetown, and excepting therefrom a strip 375 ft deep from Ipswich and Baldpate Roads which shall remain in the present R. A. Zone, be rezoned into a B-1 Retail Business District as set forth in the Revised Zoning Proposals adopted at this town meeting, and that the zoning map be changed accordingly.

Article 7 — Voted to pass over.

Article 8 — Voted to appropriate the sum of $4,000.00 (in addition to $5,000.00 previously appropriated) for construction or re-modelling of the fire station adjacent to the Town Hall.

Article 9 — Voted to pass over.

Article 10 — Voted to pass over.

Article 11 — Voted to accept as public ways or streets the following:

(1) King George Drive — from the intersection of King William Court to the intersection of King John Drive — 2,565 lineal feet.

(2) King Edward Court.

Article 12 — Voted to adjourn at 10:20 P.M. About 350 voters attended the meeting.

A true record:

Attest:

E. LAURENCE COLBY
Town Clerk

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, NOVEMBER 23, 1962

A Special Town Meeting of the voters of Boxford was held at the Harry Lee Cole School at 8 P.M. on November 23, 1962 with 57 voters present. After a moment of silent prayer, William J. Greenler, Jr., the moderator, read the warrant and the following action was taken on the articles:

Article 1. Voted unanimously to appropriate the sum of $6,000.00 from Surplus Revenue to meet the cost of highway re-location, repair, or construction on Towne Road done in anticipation of reimbursement by the Ardon Farm Realty Trust or their designee, said money, when reimbursed, to be credited to Surplus Revenue.

Article 2. Voted to appropriate $1,000.00 for land takings on Washington Street.

Article 3. Voted to transfer $418.23 from the Insurance Account — $200.00 to Inspection of Slaughtering and $218.23 for Chapter 90 — Construction, 1961 Account.

Article 4. Voted unanimously to enact the following by-law:

"Fees of the gas inspector shall be collected by him at rates as follows for the benefit of the town:

(1) Eight dollars for each original installation.

(2) Three and one-half dollars for each change of a previous installation.

(3) Fifty cents for each fixture added to a previous installation.

(4) Two dollars of each re-inspection following a disapproval.

The salary of the gas inspector shall be an amount equal to the amount of such fees collected."

Article 5. Voted to adjourn at 8:35 P.M.

A true record:

Attest:

E. LAURENCE COLBY
Town Clerk

BIRTHS RECORDED IN 1962 IN BOXFORD

Date	Name	Parents
1961		
Dec. 7	— Sarah Chamberlain Wood	Loren Morris Wood Sally Ann Hall
Dec. 30	— Christine Marie Wyner	Joseph Wyner Janice Purrier
1962		
Jan. 1	— Kimberly Margaret Tyson	Donald R. Tyson Carol E. Pratt
Jan. 7	— Timothy Stuart Winn	Stanley Bennett Winn Virginia R. Hunt
Jan. 23	— David Osborne Coburn	Frank S. Coburn, Jr. Barbara Gail Knight
Jan. 29	— Steven Scott Rogers	John P. Rogers Deborah Damon

Jan. 31	Douglas Warren Killam	Franklin Webster Killam Priscilla Catherine Egan
Feb. 4	Sarah Ann Connor	Richard J. Connor Dona Ethelyn Nelson
Feb. 10	Richard Whitley Chamberlain	Norman G. Chamberlain Mary Leigh Putnam
Feb. 22	Angela Dawn McLellan	Bertrand James McLellan Carole Jean Ambrose
Mar. 3	John Edward Benedict	Robert N. Benedict Bobby Ann Christmas
Mar. 5	Richard Gerry Hammer, Jr.	Richard Gerry Hammer Jane Phyllis Cooper
Mar. 7	Anthony Charles Stickney	Stephen A. Stickney Patricia A. Grady
Mar. 11	Christian Westcott Cole	Leland Donald Cole Barbara Holbrook Bonnell
Mar. 23	Randall Scot Hopping	Richard G. Hopping Edith O. Murken
Mar. 24	Nancy Louise McGregor	Gardner F. McGregor Louise Eldridge
Mar. 24	David Earl Jewell	William L. Jewell Alice A. Herrick
Mar. 28	Brian John Finelli	Thomas M. Finelli Joan M. Adams
Mar. 30	Christina Mary Bugbee	Bruce A. Bugbee Anna B. Harriss
Mar. 31	Christopher William Lee	Richard Adams Lee Thorne E. Bateman
Apr. 6	Catherine Ingalls Price	Alexander G. Price Susan B. Manley
Apr. 16	Gary Philip Nangle	Leonard J. Nangle Gloria B. Richer
Apr. 23	Darcy Ann Raymond	John M. Raymond Annette L. Palardy

Apr. 24 — Dianna Lynn Walsh — Robert Randall Walsh
Barbara Lee Perkins

May 1 — Harold Stuart Richardson III
Harold Stuart Richardson, Jr.
Margaret L. McDermott

May 3 — Cornelia McCarthy — Cornelius J. McCarthy
Alice Murphy

May 10 — Elisabeth Helen Swift — Daniel W. Swift
Ann E. Wilson

May 11 — Frank Harrison Allen — Frank H. Allen
Eleanor A. Swanson

May 12 — Constance Ann O'Donnell
John Fitzgerald O'Donnell
Marie Constance Voudouris

May 15 — Mark Edward Marandola — Edward Marandola
Barbara M. McCaffrey

May 22 — Karen Louise Lehmann — Frederick G. Lehmann
Betty Ann Ferguson

June 1 — Lawrence Frederick Winde, Jr.
Lawrence Frederick Winde
Jane Ann Hollis

June 4 — James Joseph Hebert — Ernest D. Hebert
Carol J. Vincent

June 13 — Craig John Harms — Stanley F. Harms, Jr.
Rita L. Goodavage

June 19 — Kristin Martel Clark — Robert Martel Clark
Sandra Paracka

July 2 — Susan Elizabeth Appleton — Samuel Appleton, Jr.
Joan J. Creed

July 4 — Kelly Ann Melvin — Leonard Joseph Melvin
Rose Bernadette Stevenson

July 6 — James Anthony Silva — Charles Silva
Dorothy E. Bond

July 10 — Gardner Phillips Hall ..... — David Edgar Hall
Marion Elizabeth Gardner

July 20 — Peter William Samaha — Willam A. Samaha
Margaret A. Arakelian

July 21	Mary Jane Vickers	John W. Vickers Mary C. Waters
Aug. 3	Brian Peter Hatt	Maurice G. Hatt, Jr. Hilda M. Costa
Aug. 6	John Munro Tyson	Frank T. Tyson Judith M. Tibbitts
Aug. 13	Marilyn Denise Weyland	Wendell Philip Weyland Marilyn Priscilla Schickling
Aug. 14	Christopher John Recklitis	Christopher Paul Recklitis Joan Kilroy
Aug. 18	Nina Joan Esile	Frank T. Esile Joan A. Darley
Aug. 22	Lauren Frances Barous	Francis A. Barous Carmen L. Dumond
Sept. 2	Warren Allen Hampton	H. Burton Hampton Irene E. Lopes
Sept. 9	Sandra Lee Bartlett	David Brewster Bartlett Nancy Shillington
Sept. 14	Mark Schuerer	Paul Schuerer Ellen Cronin
Sept. 26	Charlene Marie McLaughlin	Daniel P. McLaughlin Helen F. Greenler
Sept. 27	Kathleen Anne Kelley	Herbert R. Kelley Patricia E. Eldridge
Oct. 8	Dean Edward Everson	George Edward Everson, Jr. Carol Ann Widdop
Oct. 16	Walter Edwin Lyons	Damon Lyons Elizabeth C. Spencer
Oct. 24	Stacey Lyn Hill	David C. Hill Cynthia Ames
Oct. 24	Cynthia Elaine Hatch	Charles S. Hatch Stephanie M. Wilson

MARRIAGES RECORDED DURING 1962

Date	Names	Residence
Jan. 14 —	Ronald E. Mierzykowski	Boxford
	Jennifer Molin	Boxford
Mar. 9 —	Burton Theodore Lombard	Boxford
	Carol Frances Vasey	Middleton
May 27 —	Peter C. Perkins	Boxford
	Beverly Ann Donnelly	North Andover
June 3 —	Eric Putnam Bergstrom	Boxford
	Judith L. Foulds	North Andover
June 9 —	Richard A. Monell	Boxford
	Patricia L. Heumann	Lincoln, Neb.
June 9 —	Richard Paul Wirtz	Danvers
	Susan Godfrey	Boxford
June 17 —	Richard W. Skeffington	Topsfield
	Nancy Britt	Boxford
June 18 —	Edward Laurence Colby, Jr.	Boxford
	Linda Bates Petersen	New London, N.H.
June 23 —	Hubert Wayne McDonald	Pensacola, Fla.
	Ann Stevenson	Boxford
June 30 —	John W. Brinks	Farmington, Mich.
	Mary Louise (Waters) Cargill	Boxford
June 30 —	David Lee Jervah	Danvers
	Sandra N. Nolan	Boxford
July 21 —	Thomas Edwin Wiggins	Lowell
	Beverly Ann Spofford	Boxford
Aug. 11 —	Fred W. Binford, Jr.	No. Kingston, R.I.
	Mary Thompson Taylor	Boxford
Sept. 9 —	Ralph Wilkinson Worrilow	Chester, Penna.
	Marguerite Peri Robinson	Boxford
Sept. 15 —	David Roy Richard	Lynn
	Judith Diana Chadwick	Boxford
Oct. 6 —	Don Vernon Williams	Boston
	Patricia A. Lenfestey	Boxford
Nov. 10 —	Robert William Colburn	Haverhill
	Carol M. Chew	Boxford

Dec. 23 —	Charles F. P. Sullivan	Woburn
	Helen V. Bergstrom	Boxford

DEATHS RECORDED DURING 1962

Date	Name	Age		
1961				
Dec. 4 —	Harriet J. Parsons	62	—	—
1962				
Jan. 18 —	Mary A. Thiel Kendall	84	10	26
Feb. 15 —	Betsey (Lewis) Peabody	72	2	0
Feb. 18 —	Clara Maud Norris	84	—	—
Feb. 21 —	Eli Joseph Sabourin	83	4	12
Apr. 9 —	Harry (Henry) John Martin	68	—	—
May 12 —	Hamlin Riggs	66	4	10
June 12 —	Ezrael Budnick	78	6	14
June 27 —	Percy Douglas Bishop	81	9	15
July 9 —	Ella H. Bowie Frizzell	84	4	25
Aug. 10 —	Frank H. Allen	39	4	5
Aug. 29 —	Rose E. (Thompson) Marden	90	2	20
Sept. 28 —	Madeline G. (Fernald) Bushway	48	1	30
Nov. 6 —	Thomas G. Colter	61	4	16
Nov. 26 —	Rose Anna Curry	87	2	0
Dec. 8 —	Benjamin E. Dodge	91	0	19

FISH AND GAME LICENSES ISSUED IN 1962

96	Citizen Fishing at $4.25	$408.00
70	Citizen Hunting at $4.25	297.50
21	Citizen Sporting at $7.25	152.25
24	Minor Fishing at $2.25	54.00
9	Female Fishing at $3.25	29.25

1 Non-resident Citizen Fishing at $4.25	4.25
3 Non-resident Fishing at $8.75	26.25
5 Citizens Sporting (Free)	
	$971.50
Less fees to Town Clerk	56.00
Remitted to Division of Fisheries and Game	$915.50

DOG LICENSES ISSUED IN 1962

124 Males at $2.00	$248.00
16 Females at $5.00	80.00
75 Spayed Females at $2.00	150.00
5 Kennels at $10.00	50.00
2 Kennels at $25.00	50.00
	$578.00
Less fees to Town Clerk	55.50
Remitted to Town Treasurer	$522.50

Respectfully submitted,

E. LAURENCE COLBY,
Town Clerk

REPORT OF BOARD OF ASSESSORS

No. of Persons Assessed	Indiv.	Others	Total
On Personal Estate Only	10	2	12
On Real Estate Only	725	20	745
On Both Personal and Real Estate	149	3	152
Total Number of Persons Assessed			909
Number of Polls Assessed			649

Value of Assessed Personal Estate:		
Stock in Trade	$5,700.00	
Machinery	2,470.00	
Live Stock	5,140.00	
All Other Tangible Personal Property	402,935.00	
Total Value of Assessed Personal Property		$416,245.00
Value of Assessed Real Estate:		
Land Exclusive of Buildings	$638,185.00	
Buildings Exclusive of Land	3,506,305.00	
Total Value of Assessed Real Estate		$4,144,490.00
Total Valuation of Assessed Estate		$4,560,735.00
Tax Rate per $1,000 = $101.00		
Taxes for State, County and Town Purposes, including Overlay:		
On PersonalEstate	$42,040.80	
On Real Estate	418,593.93	
On Polls	1,298.00	
Total Taxes Assessed		$461,932.73

Number of Live Stock Assessed:	
Horses (1 year old or over)	36
Neat Cattle (1 year old or over)	
Cows (Milch)	94

Yearlings: steers	10	
Swine (6 months old or over)	488	
Sheep (6 months old or over)	99	
Fowl	4,680	
All Other: Mink — 100 Goat — 2		
Number of Acres of Land Assessed	14,189	
Number of Dwelling Houses Assessed	717	
Commissioner's Value of Motor Vehicles		$1,220,940.00
Tax on Motor Vehicles Assessed		$67,577.50
Number of Motor Vehicles Assessed		1,687

Motor Vehicle Excise Rate = $66.00

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY E. TRASK

J. WARREN CHADWICK

HARRY L. COLE

Board of Assessors

REPORT OF THE COLLECTOR OF TAXES

TAXES — 1959

Uncollected Jan. 1, 1962	$40.88	
Interest Collected	2.46	
Taxes Collected:		
Real Estate		$36.50
Interest		2.46
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1962		4.38
	$43.34	$43.34

TAXES — 1960

Uncollected Jan. 1, 1962	$2,624.43
Interest Collected	119.52

Taxes Collected:		
Real Estate		$1,741.05
Personal Property		282.00
Motor Vehicle Excise		70.37
Interest and costs		119.52
Abatements		
Poll		2.00
Motor Vehicle Excise		352.10
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1962		176.91
	$2,743.95	$2,743.95

TAXES — 1961

Uncollected Jan. 1, 1962	$40,718.35	
Motor Vehicle Excise Commitment	1,386.06	
Motor Vehicle Excise Refunds	1,153.26	
Interest Collected	584.48	
Taxes Collected:		
Poll		46.00
Real Estate		23,297.19
Personal Property		999.69
Farm Animal Excise		54.48
Motor Vehicle Excise		14,101.36
Interest		584.48
Refund		5.78
Abatements		
Poll		2.00
Real Estate		3.52
Personal Property		9.40
Motor Vehicle Excise		2,725.62
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1962		2,012.63
	$43,842.15	$43,842.15

TAXES — 1962

Poll Tax Commitments	$1,298.00
Real Estate Commitments	419,300.93

Personal Property Commitments	42,040.80	
Classified Forest Land Commitments	72.73	
Farm Animal Excise Commitments	139.99	
Motor Vehicle Excise Commitments	67,577.50	
Poll Tax Refunds	4.00	
Real Estate Refunds	202.00	
Motor Vehicle Excise Refunds	2,393.91	
Interest Collected	83.86	
Taxes Collected:		
Poll		$1,168.00
Real Estate		381,469.25
Personal Property		40,505.59
Classified Forest Land		48.49
Farm Animal Excise		103.73
Motor Vehicle Excise		52,347.51
Interest		83.86
Abatements		
Poll		104.00
Real Estate		7,966.58
Personal Property		121.20
Motor Vehicle Excise		5,665.81
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1962		43,529.70
	$533,113.72	$533,113.72

RECAPITULATION

Total Receipts from Taxes:	
Real Estate	$406,543.99
Personal Property	41,787.28
Poll	1,214.00
Classified Forest Land	48.49
Farm Animal Excise	158.21
Motor Vehicle Excise	66,519.24
Interest and Costs	790.32
	$517,061.53

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT SNOW REMOVAL

Uncollected Jan. 1, 1962	$434.25	
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1962		$434.25
	$434.25	$434.25

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK A. SMALLMAN,
Collector

BOXFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY

East Parish

OFFICERS AND TRUSTEES

Winthrop P. Haynes, President
Milton E. Lord, Vice-President
Harry E. Trask was treasurer until May when
Donald Anderson succeeded him.
Margaret Lane, Secretary

Thomas E. Cargill, Jr.
Louise C. Watkins
Seth L. Kelsey
Arthur F. White

LIBRARIANS

Bertha Perley
Lucy K. Parkhurst

LIBRARY HOURS

Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday, 2:30 - 5:30 P.M.

Each year the demands made on our library increase. More and more the young people are coming to the library for help in their school work. The total circulation of books has increased slightly to 9325. This figure can be broken down as follows:

Adult		Juvenile	
Fiction	3410	Fiction	2986
Non-fiction	2264	Non-fiction	6656
	5674		9642

We are very appreciative of the book mobile service from the state regional center in North Reading. The bookmobile stopped at our library eleven times in 1962 lending us many books and making possible the expansion of our service beyond our own limited book budget. Of the 9325 books circulated 3663 were bookmobile books. Many of these books were too expensive for our own funds. The library purchased 150 books and received 27 as gifts. In addition the library subscribes to 25 periodicals, and receives 7 more as gifts. 1015 periodicals circulated.

The children in the sixth grade took part in the State Reading Certificate Program. This year 153 five-book certificates were awarded, and 31 honor certificates for twenty books each. This is done under the supervision of the teachers and the librarian.

The Friends of the Library have been active. In National Library Week, on April 11th, they were hostesses at a tea held in the library. Mr. and Mrs. John Adams and a group of volunteers have undertaken to paint the interior of the library. When that is completed the new draperies, chosen by a committee consisting of the wives of the Trustees, bought through Mrs. Poor, and made by Mrs. Brooks and Mrs. Rich, will be hung.

The Librarians and Trustees wish to thank all who have contributed in any way to our library.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGARET LANE,
Secretary, Board of Trustees

CATHERINE INGALLS MEMORIAL LIBRARY

West Boxford, Massachusetts

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A. Gordon Price, Vice-President
Miss Ruby F. Nason, Secretary
Mrs. Richard Spofford, Treasurer
Mrs. Margaret L. Loughnane, Librarian
E. Lawrence Colby, Trustee Rolfe Y. Peterson, Trustee

LIBRARY HOURS

Wednesday and Saturday 3:00 - 5:00 P.M. 7:00 - 9:00 P.M.

It was with sincere regret that Mrs. Isabelle Rounds' resignation was accepted early in 1962. Mrs. Rounds had served as librarian of the West Boxford Public Library for 20 years but, because of illness, was unable to continue. Her loss to the library has been keenly felt by the community.

Mrs. Margaret Loughnane assumed the responsibilities of regular librarian in April. With the generous assistance of many volunteers our library has been able to maintain regular hours and service during this transitional period.

Thirty-one cards have been issued to new borrowers this past year and 38 State Reading Certificates were awarded Cole School students.

The total circulation for 1962 was 4,807. Of that number, 1,821 books were fiction; 337 were magazines; 1,047 were books of non-fiction. 1,224 junior fiction books were withdrawn and 378 non-fiction books were borrowed by young peple.

The State Bookmobile has continued to be a blessing to us by furnishing our borrowers with a variety of titles that would not otherwise be available to them.

In a modest way we have established something of a miniature bookmobile service of our own with Cole School. Approxi-

mately 75 books have been loaned to the school thus broadening our service to the community.

311 books have been added to our shelves this year bringing the total to 4,835 books now accessioned in our library. 81 of these were purchased by us and, in addition, the Weights and Measures Fund provided the revenue to purchase a 30 volume set of The Americana Encyclopedia. 231 books were given to us by various friends.

The library continues to subscribe to 15 magazines and this number is augmented by outside sources regularly.

Although the Library Thrift Shop has not been in operation it is hoped that new interest will activate it again soon since it was a gratifying source of income for the library. Anyone interested in giving of their time to this worthwhile project is urged to contact any of the library officers or the librarian.

To all who have given so freely of their time and support the West Boxford Public Library Association extends its grateful appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGARET L. LOUGHNANE,
Librarian

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

Board of Selectmen of Boxford, Mass.

Gentlemen:

As Inspector of Animals in the Town of Boxford for the year ending December 31, 1962 I submit the following report: The yearly work and inspection of premises where live stock are kept has been done in compliance with directions from the Massachusetts Division of Live Stock Disease Control.

Respectfully,

WILLIAM J. GREENLER, D.V.M.
Inspector of Animals

REPORT OF THE DOG OFFICER

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Boxford

Complaints of dogs being a nuisance have been less than usual, but calls by owners of lost dogs have been heavy.

Money collected for dog licenses has been turned over to the Town Clerk.

There are still a few licenses uncollected.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES P. GRAY,
Dog Officer

REPORT OF THE BUILDING INSPECTOR

New Homes	34	Value	$658,500.00
Additions	17	Value	45,830.00
Garages	5	Value	11,200.00

There were 12 less new homes in 1962 compared with 1961. Value is about $300,000 less. Additions are about $140,000 less.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY W. NASON,
Building Inspector

REPORT OF THE WIRE INSPECTOR

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Boxford
Report for the year 1962

Permits 165
Inspections 330

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT W. SPERRY,
Wire Inspector

REPORT OF THE INSPECTORS OF SLAUGHTERING FOR THE YEAR 1962

EXAMINED			CONDEMNED		
Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Cattle	Calves	Sheep
262	1144	189	8	82	3

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. FOSTER

SAMUEL E. LAWES
Inspectors of Slaughtering

REPORT OF MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

The spraying program was carried out in both ends of the town. The infestation of the Gipsy Moth has been kept under control.

There may be some changes in the spraying program this coming year due to new regulations governing spray materials and their application.

Respectfully submitted,

ALERSON E. NOYES,
Moth Superintendent

REPORT OF TREE DEPARTMENT

We have had quite a bit of trimming and clearing to do. It has been necessary to cut down several large trees.

We have had to take care of trees damaged by storms and ones damaged by vehicles.

Respectfully submitted,

ALERSON E. NOYES,
Tree Warden

REPORT OF DUTCH ELM DEPARTMENT

The program of scouting for trees suspected of having Dutch Elm Disease was carried out at both ends of the town. Samples were taken and tested at the State Lab.

The affected ones were topped and some of the smaller ones removed. Later the State crew came in for a week to help with the cutting down of the diseased trees.

Respectfully submitted,

ALERSON E. NOYES,
Moth Superintendent

REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Commission held regular monthly meetings during much of the year. The evaluation of wetlands which should be included in a future Conservancy Zone has continued. Since the Town is entirely dependent on wells as a source of water, the safeguarding of wetlands is of paramount importance.

The Commission has supervised the operation of the West Boxford Gravel Pit by the Georgetown Sand and Gravel Company and has recommended the renewal of the operation permit for 1963 to the Board of Appeals.

The Commission has also acted as an advisory group to the Planning Board in the study of plans of projected real estate developments in town. This is an important function since any building alters the present drainage of the area to a greater or lesser extent. Furthermore the purchaser of a home or lot should feel secure that adequate water is available and there is the possibility of providing the home with a safe and satisfactory sewage disposal system. While water can be obtained anywhere if one drills deep enough, septic tanks require a considerable area of well drained soil in which to dissipate their waste. Such drainage may not be available if a lot is on low ground where the water table rises close to the surface during the spring of the year or during prolonged periods of heavy rain or if the lot is made up largely of ledge with only a thin veneer of topsoil. The Conservation Commission is well qualified to point out where such conditions exist.

At the last annual Town Meeting the sum of $1500 was appropriated to set up a Conservation Fund. A similar amount is being asked in 1963. The time will come when the Conservation Commission will need to purchase land for conservation purposes. Since the Commission is limited by law to asking for not more than one twentieth of one per cent of the assessed valuation of the Town in any one year for its activities, it is important that a Conservation Fund is allowed to accumulate over

a period of several years. Furthermore up to fifty per cent of the cost of land purchased by the Commission for conservation purposes may be reimbursed by the State under the Self-Help Conservation Program but to obtain this State aid the Town Conservation Commission must show evidence that the Conservation Fund contains a sufficient balance to cover at least the total cost of the project. Self-Help funds are not available to the Town except through the Conservation Commission.

I wish to express my thanks to the other members of the Commission who carried on the work faithfully and well through the summer months while I was out of the state.

Respectfully submitted,

STUART K. HARRIS, Chairman

WINTHROP P. HAYNES
SETH L. KELSEY
EDWARD L. FRENCH
DOROTHY L. WOODBURY
Conservation Commission

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

January 7, 1963

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Boxford
Boxford, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

The Police Department submits the following report of their activities for the year 1962:

Classified Complaints:

Indecent Assault	2
House Breaks	4
Motor Vehicle Accidents	39
Court Appearances	15

Resuscitator	7
Ambulance	32
Dog Damage	14
Fires	9
Disturbing the Peace	6
Peddlars	1
Missing Persons	5
Prowler	4
Police Service	34
Suspicious Person	2
Rubbish Complaints	2
Camp Breaks	2
Larceny	10
Recovered Stolen Cars	4
Summons	59
Vandalism	1
Malicious Destruction of Property	5
Insane Person	3
Drunk	6
Hunting Complaints	5
Arrests	16
Pistol Permits	13
Common Day of Rest Permits	5
Obscene Phone Calls	4

All members of the department attended and successfully completed the standard First Aid course offered by the Danvers Chapter, American Red Cross.

The new cruiser was received and is proving very satisfactory.

A traffic detail was again requested for the rush hours in West Boxford. This was carried out, as have been the details at the churches.

Charles Getchell resigned, and four new men have been sworn in, one to replace Getchell and three more to increase our strength. The new men are: Paul Genest, George Inch, Harold Sederquest, and Fred Newell.

A regular inspection of the camps has been made, and check on empty homes when we have been notified.

Again this year we have given the Registry of Motor Vehicles full cooperation for their operation "Road Watch."

For the entire department, our sincere thanks to the Board of Selectmen and all other town services for their help and cooperation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

NATHANIEL N. LOVE, Jr.
Chief of Police

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

Boxford made zoning history this year with adoption of a ban against look-alike houses. Our town is the first community in New England and among a very few in the nation to take such a step. The others being in New Jersey and Westchester County, N.Y., areas of high residential value.

Several other significant elements are contained in the new zoning ordinances. They include: the requirement that at least one acre of any lot be declared buildable land and the designation of conservancy areas to prevent filling at the risk of interfering with water table and drainage, so vital to the town's drinking water supply.

The Board adopted a tighter set of subdivision regulations, emphasizing better roads, cleaning up and seeding shoulders where necessary and raising fees to help secure better engineering services.

The Board recommended a Planned Unit Development commercial project under strict architectural controls to aid in broadening the tax base and provide additional community services in the Baldpate area.

One piece of unfinished business, first proposed in Master Plan discussion, is the creation of Historic Districts as provided by statute to preserve both villages against future commercial exploitation or individual changes in architecture that would be out of harmony with present early American design. Pressure on the town with completion of the proposed Rte. 95 link to the Revere interchange will be great. This is a step, the Board feels, that should be taken immediately.

Statistically, the Board held 19 meetings and 10 public hearings in 1962. Thirty-seven lots were created, and 107 are pending in subdivisions. Twenty-two lots were created under the approval not required provision, that is, on existing frontage.

In 1961, there were ten subdivisions processed with four public hearings and 133 lots created.

One factor which the Board feels has helped secure these advances is a closer relationship with other town officers, agencies and civic groups. The Board hopes this practice will be expanded to at least quarterly or semi-annual meetings with all town officers.

CHARLES L. COTTON, Chairman
CHARLES P. A. NELSON
SIMEON S. PEARL
WILLIAM E. DORMAN
J. WARREN CHADWICK
E. LAURENCE COLBY
WARREN R. GODFREY, Clerk

REPORT OF NORTH ANDOVER-BOXFORD DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' SERVICES

The following services were performed by this Department during 1962:

Discharge (certified copy)	10
Discharge (recorded)	8

Photostats	230
Aid and Attendance Allowance	4
Taxes	24
Certificate of Eligibility	8
Annual Income Report	45
Compensation	9
Pension	28
Burial Allowance	19
Headstone	12
Insurance	15
Power of Attorney	37
Hospitalization	22
Outpatient Treatment	8
Miscellaneous	40

Respectfully submitted,

BERNARD W. BINGHAM,

District Director

REPORT OF NORTH ANDOVER AND BOXFORD DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' SERVICE

		N. Andover	Boxford	Total
Balance Carried over from 1961		$12.94	$4.58	$17.52
Appropriated in 1962, Section 11 Chapter 599, Acts of 1946 Raised by Assessors in 1962		1,105.00	155.00	1,260.00
		$1,117.94	$159.58	$1,277.52
Expended to Dec. 31, 1962	(A)	1,082.75	152.00	1,234.75
Balance December 31, 1962		$35.19	$7.58	$42.77

(A) Basis for apportionment Chapter 599, Acts of 1945
An act establishing the basis for apportionment of State and County Taxes.

North Andover	$9,386,690.00	Per cent	.8769
Boxford	1,317,200.00	Per cent	.1231

District Department of Veterans Service

JAMES J. MAKER,
District Treasurer

Bernard W. Bingham (Salary)	$1,200.00
New England Tel. & Tel. Co. (Services)	23.25
Veterans Information Service (Frank Ostlin, Director)	9.00
Thomas J. McGrail, Jr. (District Treasurers Bond)	2.50
Total	$1,234.75

Respectfully submitted,

BERNARD W. BINGHAM,
Agent

REPORT OF THE FIRE WARDEN

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Boxford

Gentlemen:

FIRES

East Boxford	West Boxford
8 Car & Truck Fires	1 Car Fire
6 Chimney Fires	1 Washing Machine Fire
3 House Fires	1 Spilled Gas
1 Piggery Fire	—

1 Drier Fire	3
1 Refrigerator Fire	9 Calls to East Boxford
—	
20	

Respectfully submitted,

ARCHER N. FRENCH,
Fire Warden

REPORT OF THE FOREST FIRE WARDEN

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Boxford
Gentlemen:

FIRES

East Boxford	West Boxford
2 Grass	6 Dump
7 Woods	6 Woods
4 Dump	1 Grass
—	—
13	13
7 Calls to West Boxford	4 Calls to East Boxford

Respectfully submitted,

ARCHER N. FRENCH,
Forest Warden

REPORT OF THE TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE

In 1962 the sum of $100.00 was spent for thinning out a section of woodland and widening the road in places so that fire trucks could get through in an emergency.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER K. MORSS
ROBERT B. PARKHURST
WINTHROP P. HAYNES
Town Forest Committee

REPORT OF THE RECREATION COMMITTEE

The Recreation Committee worked on several projects this year.

The Little League Baseball field at the Gardner Morse School in West Boxford has been improved to the satisfaction of all concerned, and it may now be used for regularly scheduled games. Continual supervision is contemplated to maintain this badly needed field in good condition.

The small pond at the Boy Scout Park was enlarged with the use of a dragline. Considerable gravel was obtained from this operation, and said gravel was sold to the Town for approximately $200. This amount was paid to General Cash. A telephone line was run to the swimming area and a telephone installed for emergency use only. A lifeguard was hired to be on duty from 11 A.M. to 4 P.M. Due to the lateness of the swimming season when the area was opened to the public in August, no charges were made. While much work remains to be done to beautify this area, swimming was enjoyed by many.

Lights were installed at the Boy Scout Park to enable use of skating facilities at night. This committee is indebted to Mr. Robert Poor and Mr. Jack Hudson for their assistance in clearing the ice. However, snow removal remains a continuing problem, as does re-surfacing the ice after use.

Mr. Casey of the Massachusetts Electric Company gave a personal contribution of $50.00 to the Recreation Committee for use at the skating area.

In July Mr. Ben Freeman resigned from the Recreation Committee. Mr. Freeman had served on the committee since its inception. His engineering experience has been very helpful to the committee, and he contributed many hours of field work to our projects.

At a joint meeting of the Selectmen and Recreation Committee, Mr. William Davis was appointed to fill the unexpired term of office.

The Recreation Committee meets the third Tuesday of every month at the Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

SHIRLEY MacGILL, Chairman
MARION COLBY, Secretary and Treas.
WILLIAM DAVIS
DAVID DOUGHTY
GORDON PRICE

REPORT OF THE CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR

During the past year a Fall-Out survey was made with the result that not one public building can meet the minimum standards for protection.

It is strongly urged that all future public buildings be constructed so that a portion can be used as a shelter.

Training in Radiation monitoring was also given to the Fire Department by Mr. Ralph Colby, Radiac Officer for the town.

The cooperation of all departments and of the officials of the town is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully,

GORDON A. RUSSELL
Director

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

At this time we wish to call to the attention of all citizens the importance of reporting communicable diseases to the Board of Health. Following is a list of diseases reported in 1962:

Disease	No. of Cases
Measles	24
Mumps	21

Chicken Pox	3
Salmonellosis	3
Ophthalmia	1
Dog Bite	6

Licenses were granted during the year as follows:

Recreational Camp	8
Slaughter	2
Milk Dealers	11
Milk Producers	1
Manufacture of Ice Cream	1
Oleo	1

Early in the year there was a meeting held at the Beverly office of the Essex County Health Association relative to the proposed closing of the Essex Sanitorium in Middleton.

The Board of Health met with some of the home owners in the Herrick Woodlands regarding unsatisfactory conditions left by the developer and drainage problems which had arisen.

One small group of Jamaican laborers was employed in town for the first time. The Board of Health is obliged to inspect living quarters furnished for this type of tenant.

Arrangements were made with Charles Killam to take some fill from the dump in payment for bulldozing in the dump area.

Complaints were received relative to the spreading of sewage in an area belonging to Alexander Shaw and this was stopped during the warm weather.

A second Rabies Clinic for dogs was held at the Town Hall in May sponsored by the North Shore Veterinary Associates. The response was better than in 1961 and we hope 1963 will be a banner year.

A new kindergarten was started by Mrs. Carl F. Borchert on Ipswich Road in West Boxford, which had to be inspected by the Board of Health.

The Board of Health with Messrs. Wong and Tarbell from the State Department of Public Health met with the School Building Committee to inspect the proposed school site on Spofford Road. A formal report is to be sent later.

In May and June polio clinics were held at which Types I and III of the Sabin oral vaccine as well as Salk vaccine were administered. The Type II oral (Sabin) polio vaccine will be given about the middle of March 1963. Since this type has never been given before, all children from 3 months through 18 years of age should receive it.

The Board of Health expresses sincere thanks to all who gave their services in connection with clinics held during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

STEPHEN MADDOCK, M.D.
RAYMOND PERLEY
HARRY L. COLE
Board of Health

REPORT OF THE SANITARY ENGINEER

Board of Health

In the course of 1962, I have conducted sanitation inspections and performed other duties for your board.

The State Sanitary Code's minimum standards for individual sewage disposal systems came into effect in the spring of this year. The requirements are quite extensive and very few people have taken the trouble to learn what is necessary. This has made my work very much more involved and difficult. Even so, during the year, final inspections were made on 45 of these systems and about three-quarters were done under the new permits. Five permits were refused or expired as unused.

Another new set of regulations under the Sanitary Code has to do with the proper operation of farm labor camps. The only camp of this type known in Boxford was inspected. Certain improvements were made to result in approval of this camp. Subsequently, it was approved by the State also.

Still another new set of regulations of the State Sanitary Code have to do with recreational camps. These were all inspected and the drinking water and swimming water sampled. Under the new requirements, deficiencies were found in all the camps; most of these had to do with standards for medical care and toilet facilities. Since there was such general failure to meet the terms of the new code, the Board of Health voted to allow one year for the camps to come up to the standards. The regulations were gone over with each camp; the water samples were found to be of satisfactory quality.

The Board of Health is greatly concerned in the proper development of land for new homes. Of course, the law only gives them authority in matters that have a direct bearing on the public health. In this regard, in 1962, plans having to do with three different areas were considered as new and as progressing developments of homes. These were carefully considered regarding soil and drainage conditions that were present; the future building of roads and homes can affect the sewage disposal of any area in the future.

The Town of Boxford, in searching for a suitable place for a school, found the area on Spofford Road, adjacent to the town dump, to be very favorable. It had been planned to place a sludge pit in this part of the dumping area; this was to receive the digested sludge for septic tanks and cesspools in Boxford. (Naturally, the material would be contaminated with some raw sewage pumped out of the disposal structures with the sludge.) Conferences and studies were then made that will insure that other suitable areas for this sludge bed can be found.

Throughout this year, the health of the Town of Boxford was protected by inspections of new structures that would be apt to affect the public health and existing conditions that might lead to danger to the health of the public. Water samples were examined to survey the safety of the water that was being used in many public places in the Town.

Very truly yours,

TRACY I. FLAGG,
Sanitary Engineer

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

General relief, the only category of aid not administered by the Central Essex Welfare District, cost $412.45 in 1962. While this is an increase from 1961, it is a surprisingly low figure.

Applications for aid in any of the categories administered by the Central Essex Welfare District may be obtained at the Town Hall in Boxford.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY L. COLE
JOHN G. BOLTON
FRANKLIN C. ROBERTS, JR.
Board of Public Welfare

REPORT OF THE CENTRAL ESSEX WELFARE DISTRICT

Old Age Assistance	7 cases
Medical Aid for the Aged	2 cases
Disability Assistance	3 cases
Aid to Dependent Children (3 children)	1 case

Boxford's case load for the year has remained stable. One case was lost in Medical Aid for the Aged, and one case was added in Disability Assistance.

Medical expenses have declined for the second year from $8,187.57 in 1961 to $8,040.32 in 1962. This does not indicate a trend in reduced medical costs but does, at the moment, point to the fact that the needs of the population in Boxford have not increased. However, this is a very difficult area to estimate, and there is no accurately estimating the costs in a given year. Boxford has 7.5% of its population over 65, and there is always the problem of long term illness which depletes resources very quickly.

The chronic hospital facility at Essex County Hospital continues in operation, and the tuberculosis section of the hospital will remain open until January 1, 1964. The chronic unit, called the Manning Annex, is serving a useful purpose in the county, and should be preserved at all costs. The Board of Public Welfare feels that this unit should be continued, and expanded as it permits the removal of the long term cases from acute hospitals, and in many cases makes it possible for the person to return to his own home.

Again this year in Congress, President Kennedy will be asking for some sort of medical program under the Social Security Act. There are many pressure groups for and against this form of legislation. If some sort of prepaid plan is enacted there will still be a need for public assistance to fill in gaps, particularly in long term illnesses. In this state, with its comprehensive Medical Care Program, there is adequate care for anyone in need.

We are living in an era of change. In the past welfare departments were thought of only in terms of financial assistance. Today, welfare departments are more and more stressing services to clients, helping those who need help in any area of living to achieve his highest potential. This may mean only helping the person to achieve self care in some instances, but in others it may mean retraining to the point of becoming self-supporting. We work with all age groups, and try to use all of the resources available to achieve our goal.

Anyone having questions in regard to the eligibility requirements in any category of assistance is invited to call the District Office which is located in Memorial Hall, South Main Street, Middleton. Telephone 774-1609.

The director wishes to thank all of the town officials, and the townspeople for their help and cooperation in the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

PHYLLIS R. BROWN,
Director

REPORT OF THE MORSE HOUSE COMMITTEE

The Committee for the Morse House has been inactive during 1962 and has held no meetings. It is the plan of the chairman, Dr. Winthrop Haynes, to resume work on the project this spring. Mr. Seth Kelsey has volunteered landscaping aid. The casting of a bronze plaque is to be ordered at this time. The committee desires to secure a field boulder on which to place the plaque. Any help on this matter would be gratefully received by the committee.

Respectfully submitted,

MARION M. COLBY
Secretary-Treasurer

REPORT OF LOCAL LICENSING AUTHORITIES

The local Licensing Board received one application for a package store in 1962. This license was not granted.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANKLIN C. ROBERTS, JR.

JOHN G. BOLTON

HARRY L. COLE

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

In order to have a good title to the Spofford property, the Town Counsel advised the Selectmen to vote to take this land by Eminent Domain, which they did in January.

The Boxford Grange and the Explorer Scouts painted the floors in the upper entry, lower hallway, stairs, and the banquet room of the Town Hall. We wish to express our gratitude to both organizations for this improvement.

A committee from the Fire Department met with the Selectmen to discuss needed equipment for the department and it was decided to increase the Fire Warden's appropriation by $4,500.00.

Considerable time was spent with the Planning Board trying to establish some desirable industrial areas in town.

Approximately 100 citizens were present at the pre-town meeting, held on March 3rd to discuss the articles in the Town Meeting warrant.

In order to accommodate the voters at the annual election held in the East Parish in 1962, it was necessary to install new lights in the banquet room of the Town Hall.

The Haverhill Gas Company extended the gas service from Elm Street down Topsfield Road to complete the circuit below Route 95. At the same time the Gas Company installed a gas light at the corner of the Historical House. Several short sections of gas line have been installed during the year to furnish service to various homes along the line.

Three new electric street lights were installed during the year, one in West Boxford village, one on Endicott Road near Masconomet Regional School and one in the Cole School parking area.

The Topsfield Road project and Chapter 90 was completed in the spring and work was continued on Route 133 in West Boxford. There was considerable land taking along Washington Street in order to widen and straighten this road.

The Police Department requested bids on a new cruiser in April and purchased a 1962 Ford for $2,141.00.

The Fire Department requested bids on a new pumping engine. The Howe Fire Apparatus Company was awarded the contract to furnish the complete unit for $14,987.00. This fire truck was delivered in the late fall.

In June the out house at Round Top was moved to a location more satisfactory to the neighbors and later in the year was painted by the Girl Scouts as a community project, for which we extend our thanks.

The usual maintenance of highways was done under the Chapter 81 program. Bids were requested on sand and oil. The Georgetown Sand and Gravel Company was the successful bidder on Sand and Trimount Bituminous Products on Oil.

The Jan Veen School of Dance, sponsored by the P.T.A., desired the use of the Town Hall for the weekly instruction sessions. In order for them to use the auditorium it was necessary to refinish the floor, a project that was done in October.

The severe rains in October created many drainage problems, some of the more serious being in the Silverbrook area. Two new pipes had to be installed to take care of the excess water and there are still some necessary improvements to be made near the home of Mr. Getz. Because of the flooding, a culvert on Lockwood Lane had to be replaced.

Bids were received and awarded in November for the construction of the new fire house in the East Parish. The framing contract was awarded to Richard Hopping for $1,100.00. The heating contract was awarded to William Franklin Corporation of Merrimac for $1,300.00.

On December 1st a check in the amount of $6,000.00 was received from William E. Dorman et al to reimburse the town for improvements to Towne Road. Approximately $4,000.00 was spent widening and resurfacing this road in December. The balance is to be used for oiling the road in the spring.

During the year, preliminary plans were made by the County Engineer to improve a section of Bare Hill Road. The Wheatlands were very gracious about giving the land necessary to widen this Road and thus eliminate several dangerous curves. Some clearing of trees was started in December.

The Board of Selectmen wishes to express gratitude to all who have contributed their services toward the many worth-

while projects, and their appreciation for the cooperation received from the various departments.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY L. COLE

JOHN G. BOLTON

FRANKLIN C. ROBERTS, JR.
Board of Selectmen

REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT

RECEIPTS FOR 1962

Frederick A. Smallman, Collector		
Taxes, current year:		
Real Estate	$381,469.25	
Personal Property	40,505.59	
Poll	1,168.00	
		$423,142.84
Taxes, previous years:		
Real Estate	$25,074.74	
Personal Property	1,281.69	
Poll	46.00	
		$26,402.43
Motor Vehicle Excise:		
Levy of 1960	$70.37	
Levy of 1961	14,101.36	
Levy of 1962	52,347.51	
		$66,519.24
Classified Forest Land:		
Levy of 1962	$48.49	$48.49
Farm Animal Excise:		
Levy of 1961	$54.48	
Levy of 1962	103.73	
		$158.21

Commonwealth of Massachusetts:		
For Highways:		
Chapter 81 Maintenance	$16,500.00	
Chapter 90 Construction	19,638.68	
		$36,138.68
For Education:		
School Superintendent	$1,306.67	
U. S. Public Law No. 874	2,511.00	
National Defense Education — Title IIIA	135.90	
Chapter 70, School Aid	46,070.12	
Aid, School Construction	21,351.72	
Education and Transportation	17,208.40	
Vocational Education	23.55	
State Aid to Libraries	502.50	
		$89,109.86
For Taxes, etc.		
Income Tax	$4,940.00	
Corporation Taxes	7,410.00	
Loss of Taxes	1,703.06	
Meal Tax, O.A.A.	535.82	
Animal Inspection	25.00	
School Lunch Program	4,807.03	
		$19,420.91
For Aid and Relief:		
Old Age Assistance	$2,896.59	
Old Age Assistance, U. S. Grant	3,994.40	
Aid to Dependent Children	1,069.57	
Aid to Dependent Children, U. S. Grant	984.00	
Disability Assistance	1,239.37	
Disability Assistance, U. S. Grant	989.60	
Medical Aid for Aged	2,057.99	
Medical Aid for Aged, U. S. Grant	2,361.94	
Veterans' Benefits	552.30	
		$16,145.76

County of Essex:		
For Highways:		
Chapter 90, Construction	$9,819.34	
Dog License Refund	438.11	
Dog Board Refund	45.00	
		$10,302.45
Trust and Investment Funds:		
Interest on School Funds	$160.00	
J. T. Barker Fund	1,100.00	
		$1,260.00
Departmental Accounts:		
Old Age Assistance	$1,630.96	
Highway	139.00	
Appeal Board	150.00	
School	302.20	
Sealer of Weights and Measures	18.45	
Board of Health	95.72	
Police	60.00	
Planning Board	608.00	
		$3,004.33
Licenses and Permits:		
Dogs	$519.50	
Slaughter	600.00	
Buildings and Sewerage	941.00	
Junk	7.00	
Revolver	28.00	
Ice Cream	5.00	
Milk	6.00	
Peddler — Fish	2.00	
Recreational Camp	3.50	
Lord's Day	1.00	
Oleo	.50	
Sewerage Transp.	1.00	
		$2,114.50
Unclassified:		
Interest on Deposits	$4,106.67	

Interest on Taxes	790.32	
Tax Title	918.76	
School Lunch Program	12,862.52	
County Retirement	2,665.99	
Federal Withholding Deductions	22,799.90	
Rent of Town Halls	211.00	
Rent of Community House	140.00	
Departmental Refunds	207.44	
State Withholding Tax Deductions	2,100.10	
Use of Telephones	49.80	
Pay Station Commission	60.61	
Miscellaneous Receipts	15.78	
Court Fines	65.00	
Voters Lists	13.00	
Maps	6.00	
Gravel	1,176.25	
Towne Road	6,000.00	
Garage Doors	75.00	
		$54,264.14
		$748,031.84

EXPENDITURES FOR 1962

General Government

Selectmen	$1,361.39
Board of Public Welfare	207.85
Assessors	2,216.77
Treasurer	532.80
Town Clerk	576.07
Accountant	2,199.25
Collector	1,759.90
Registrars	126.00
Elections	799.25
Town Counsel	500.00

Appeal Board	106.50	
Planning Board	2,110.20	
Building Inspector	900.00	
Wire Inspector	690.74	
Finance Committee	28.50	
Recreation Committee	1,712.34	
Board of Health	3,039.46	
Inspector of Slaughtering	1,174.50	
Inspector of Animals	50.00	
		$20,091.52

Protection of Persons and Property

Sealer of Weights and Measures	$32.35	
Dog Officer	86.00	
Police	6,826.95	
Forest Warden	1,999.03	
Fire Warden	5,821.19	
Tree Warden	1,861.00	
Moth Suppression	892.13	
Dutch Elm Disease Control	1,877.90	
New Fire House—West Parish	882.94	
Pumping Engine—Fire Department	15,000.00	
Police Cruiser	2,141.00	
New Fire House—East Parish	2,336.62	
"Dry Hydrants"—Fire Department	47.91	
		$39,805.02

Aid and Relief

Public Welfare	$412.45
Disability Assistance	2,243.87
Diasbility Assistance, U.S. Grant	537.40
Old Age Assistance	6,043.14
Old Age Assistance, U.S. Grant	1,753.23
Aid to Dependent Children	2,170.30
Aid to Dependent Children, U.S. Grant	550.85
Medical Aid for Aged	4,527.80
Medical Aid for Aged, U.S. Grant	894.80

Veterans' Benefits	583.20	
Central Essex Welfare Dist., Administration	621.30	
		$20,328.34

Schools and Libraries

School Department	$167,721.58	
School Building Committee	6,259.94	
School Bldg. Committee—1961 Account	251.81	
School Account	1,742.00	
U. S. Public Law #874		
School Lunch Program	16,224.97	
Cole School Alterations	2,353.58	
Cole School Addition	14,473.60	
Regional District School	183,491.70	
East Parish Library	1,070.56	
West Parish Library	970.05	
Regional School District Committee	18,270.00	
		$412,829.79

Highways

Chapter 81 Maintenance	$20,136.00	
Chapter 90 Construction—Topsfield Rd.	1,196.12	
Chapter 90 Construction—Washington Street—1961 Account	8,128.00	
Chapter 90 Const.—Washington Street	22,264.51	
Towne Road	3,923.00	
Highways and Bridges, Selectmen's Fund	1,602.65	
Snow Removal and Sanding	13,550.94	
Road Machinery Maintenance	1,513.43	
Street Lighting	803.13	
Vacation Account	990.20	
Sick Benefit	206.80	
		$74,314.78

Unclassified

Town Halls	$1,756.42	
Public Grounds	141.28	
Insurance	4,649.82	

Town Forest	100.00	
Memorial Day	275.00	
Soldiers' Graves	200.00	
Harmony Cemetery	150.00	
Boxford Village Cemetery	150.00	
Mt. Vernon Cemetery	50.00	
Clerical	758.26	
Land Taking—Washington St.	1,000.00	
Federal Withholding Tax Deductions	22,799.90	
Community House	59.18	
Town Reports	1,071.50	
Civil Defense	498.14	
Selectmen's Contingent Fund	377.65	
Veterans' Service District	155.00	
State Parks and Reservations	912.10	
Essex Sanatorium	3,188.89	
County Tax	5,967.12	
County Retirement System	3,022.70	
Land Damage	350.00	
Auditing Municipal Accounts	900.34	
County Retirement Deductions	2,665.99	
State Withholding Tax Deductions	2,069.85	
Motor Vehicle Excise Refunds	3,547.35	
Poll Tax Refunds	4.00	
Real Estate Tax Refunds	202.00	
Dog Licenses to County	519.50	
Principal on Maturing Debt	67,000.00	
Interest on Maturing Debt	2,962.50	
		$127,504.31
TOTAL CASH PAYMENTS		$694,883.94

BALANCE SHEET

December 31, 1962

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

ASSETS

Cash: General		$266,147.72
Accounts Receivable:		
Taxes:		
Levy of 1959		
Real Estate		$4.38
Levy of 1960		
Real Estate		$10.34
Levy of 1961		
Real Estate	$889.89	
Personal Property	112.80	
		$1,002.69
Levy of 1962		
Poll	$30.00	
Real Estate	30,067.10	
Personal	1,414.01	
		$31,511.11
Classified Forest Land:		
Levy of 1961	$22.56	
Levy of 1962	24.24	
		$46.80
Farm Animal Excise:		
Levy of 1962		$36.26
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:		
Levy of 1960	$166.57	
Levy of 1961	987.38	
Levy of 1962	11,958.09	
		$13,112.22

Departmental:		
Aid to Dependent Children	$352.67	
Veterans' Services	159.76	
Highway — Snow Removal	434.25	
		$946.68
Tax Title		38.93
State and County Aid to Highways		18,616.98
Cole School Addition		3,654.22
		$335,128.33

DEBT ACCOUNT

Net Funded or Fixed Debt	$67,000.00

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Trust Funds, Cash and Securities	$171,926.92

LIABILITIES

Reserve until Collected:		
Tax Titles	$38.93	
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise Revenue	13,112.22	
Departmental Revenue	946.68	
Special Assessments Revenue	83.06	
State and County Aid to Highway Revenue	18,616.98	
		$32,797.87
Overlay Reserved for Abatement of Taxes:		
Levy of 1959	$4.38	
Levy of 1960	10.34	
Levy of 1961	889.89	
Levy of 1962	17,340.76	
		$18,245.37
Overlay Surplus Reserve		$62,959.23
Excess and Deficiency		141,333.97

Appropriation Accounts:		
Goodwin Plans—1954 Account	$100.00	
Accountant	10.00	
Conservation Fund	1,500.00	
New Fire House—West Parish	58.70	
New Fire House—East Parish	6,663.38	
Fire Dept. "Dry Hydrants"	952.09	
Towne Road	2,077.00	
Chapter 90 — Construction Washington Street	2,735.49	
School Building Committee Options	2,600.00	
School Building Committee 1961 Account	1,226.98	
School Building Committee 1962 Account	8,740.06	
		$26,663.70
U. S. Grants:		
Disability Assistance	$4,539.38	
Aid to Dependent Children	5,312.20	
Old Age Assistance	16,746.37	
Medical Aid to Aged	5,957.20	
School Aid—Public Law 874	8,044.80	
School Aid—National Defense	342.54	
		$40,942.49
Road Machinery Fund	$3,316.66	
School Lunch	4,225.90	
J. T. Barker Fund	4,100.00	
Civil Defense	111.18	
Tax Title Release	4.00	
		$11,757.74
Overestimates:		
County Tax	$338.81	
State Parks and Reservations	89.15	
		$427.96
		$335,128.33

DEBT ACCOUNT

School Loan		$67,000.00

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Town Farm Fund	$42,207.55	
Post-War Rehabilitation Fund	5,072.51	
Sarah P. Perley Fund	2,261.48	
Curtis and Killam Burial Lot Fund	359.73	
East Parish Library	3,646.79	
West Parish Library	3,125.31	
East Parish Library Cote Fund	1,238.19	
Boxford Visiting Nurse Association	1,270.44	
Town School Fund	4,500.00	
Stabilization Fund	108,244.92	
		$171,926.92

DETAIL OF EXPENDITURES FOR 1962

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Selectmen

Appropriation		$1,450.00
Salaries, Selectmen	$1,275.00	
Office Expense	52.39	
State and County Association Dues	34.00	
Total Expenditures	$1,361.39	
Balance to revenue	88.61	
	$1,450.00	$1,450.00

Board of Public Welfare

Appropriation		$300.00
Salaries, Board of Public Welfare	$150.00	
Office Expenses	30.05	
Association Dues	5.00	
Travel	22.80	

Total expenditures	$207.85	
Balance to revenue	92.15	
	$300.00	$300.00

Board of Assessors

Appropriation		$2,250.00
Salaries, Board of Assessors	$1,600.00	
Clerical	346.50	
Abstracts	103.36	
Office Supplies	154.91	
State and County Association Dues	12.00	
Total expenditures	$2,216.77	
Balance to revenue	33.23	
	$2,250.00	$2,250.00

Treasurer

Appropriation		$750.00
Salary, Treasurer	$350.00	
Bond	126.00	
Office Supplies	48.40	
Rent, Safety Deposit Vault	4.40	
State Association Dues	4.00	
Total expenditures	$532.80	
Balance to revenue	217.20	
	$750.00	$750.00

Town Clerk

Appropriation		$550.00
Transfer from Reserve		26.07
Services, Town Clerk	$446.50	
Bond	10.00	
Office Expense	112.07	
Association Dues	7.50	
Total expenditures	$576.07	$576.07

Collector

Appropriation		$2,000.00
Salary, Collector	$1,200.00	
Bonds	204.85	
Office Expense	338.55	
State Association Dues	4.00	
Deputy Collector	12.50	
Total expenditures	$1,759.90	
Balance to revenue	240.10	
	$2,000.00	$2,000.00

Accountant

Appropriation		$2,500.00
Salary, Accountant	$2,000.00	
Office Expense	199.25	
Total expenditures	$2,199.25	
Carried to 1963	10.00	
Balance to revenue	290.75	
	$2,500.00	$2,500.00

Town Counsel

Appropriation		$500.00
Salary, Town Counsel	$500.00	
	$500.00	$500.00

Finance Committee

Appropriation		$50.00
Office expense	$28.50	
Balance to revenue	21.50	
	$50.00	$50.00

Registrars

Appropriation		$400.00
Salaries, Board of Registrars	$126.00	
Balance to revenue	274.00	
	$400.00	$400.00

Elections

Appropriation		$600.00
Transfer from Insurance		200.00
Services, Town Clerk	$42.00	
Services, Election Officers	407.25	
Printing	350.00	
Total expenditures	$799.25	
Balance to revenue	.75	
	$800.00	$800.00

Appeal Board

Appropriation		$350.00
Advertising	$87.00	
Office Expense	19.50	
Total expenditures	$106.50	
Balance to revenue	243.50	
	$350.00	$350.00

Planning Board

Appropriation		$1,500.00
Transfer from Reserve		650.00
Refund		24.00
Advertising	$326.00	
Office Supplies	46.35	
Proposed Zoning By-Law	1,737.85	
Total expenditures	$2,110.20	

Balance to revenue	63.80	
	$2,174.00	$2,174.00

Town Recreation Committee

Balance from 1961		$128.50
Appropriation		1,800.00
Equipment rented	$628.00	
Skating rink	842.49	
Life Guard	156.25	
Telephone	64.15	
Snow Fence	18.00	
Miscellaneous expense	3.45	
Total expenditures	$1,712.34	
Balance to revenue	216.16	
	$1,928.50	$1,928.50

Building Inspector

Appropriation		$900.00
Services, Building Inspector	$825.00	
Office Expense	75.00	
	$900.00	$900.00

Wire Inspector

Appropriation		$850.00
Services, Wire Inspector	$528.38	
Office Expense	162.36	
Total expenditures	$690.74	
Balance to revenue	159.26	
	$850.00	$850.00

HEALTH AND SANITATION

Board of Health

Appropriation		$3,300.00
Salaries, Board of Health	$200.00	
Services, Sanitary Engineer	997.50	
Services, Dump Caretaker	1,248.00	
Maintenance of Dump	165.40	
Drugs	113.57	
Supplies	86.39	
Rubbish Collection	31.60	
Nursing Service	38.00	
Hospitalization	144.00	
Clerical	15.00	
Total expenditures	$3,039.46	
Balance to revenue	260.54	
	$3,300.00	$3,300.00

Inspectors of Slaughtering

Appropriation		$1,000.00
Transfer from Insurance		200.00
Salaries, Inspectors of Slaughtering	$1,174.50	
Balance to revenue	25.50	
	$1,200.00	$1,200.00

Inspector of Animals

Appropriation		$50.00
Salary, Inspector of Animals	$50.00	
	$50.00	$50.00

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Appropriation		$35.00
Salary, Sealer	$25.00	
Office Supplies	7.35	
Total expenditures	$32.35	

Balance to revenue	2.65	
	$35.00	$35.00

Dog Officer

Appropriation		$70.00
Refunds from Essex County		45.00
Salary, Dog Officer	$50.00	
Board and disposal of stray dogs	36.00	
Total expenditures	$86.00	
Balance to revenue	29.00	
	$115.00	$115.00

Police

Appropriation		$6,100.00
Transfer from Reserve		726.95
Labor	$4,608.01	
Office Expense	46.25	
Insurance	275.00	
Uniforms	791.85	
Telephone	189.25	
Repairs	336.19	
Gasoline and Oil	471.50	
Supplies	100.50	
Milage	8.40	
Total expenditures	$6,826.95	$6,826.95

Forest Warden

Appropriation		$2,000.00
Labor	$903.35	
Equipment	40.25	
Telephones	400.80	
Electricity	70.09	
Repairs	168.35	
Gasoline and Oil	196.47	
Fuel	81.99	

Subscription	5.00	
Supplies	132.73	
Total expenditures	$1,999.03	
Balance to revenue	.97	
	$2,000.00	$2,000.00

Fire Warden

Appropriation		$5,830.00
Salary, Fire Warden	$700.00	
Janitor Service	120.00	
Labor	279.00	
Equipment	3,068.50	
Repairs	324.90	
Telephones	523.49	
Fuel	252.08	
Electricity	100.74	
Supplies	322.14	
Gasoline and Oil	105.84	
Advertising	13.50	
Subscription and Dues	11.00	
Total expenditures	$5,821.19	
Balance to revenue	8.81	
	$5,830.00	$5,830.00

New Fire House — East Parish

Appropriation		$9,000.00
Design and Prints	$200.00	
Advertising	5.00	
Foundation	322.00	
Pipe	17.67	
Lumber	1,241.95	
Framing	550.00	
Total expenditures	$2,336.62	

Balance to 1963	6,663.38	
	$9,000.00	$9,000.00

New Fire House — West Parish

Balance from 1961		$941.64
Lumber and building materials	$441.13	
Electrical Work	125.02	
Paint	41.54	
Chimney	272.00	
Cement	3.25	
Total expenditures	$882.94	
Balance to 1963	58.70	
	$941.64	$941.64

Tree Warden

Appropriation		$2,000.00
Labor	$154.50	
Trucks	39.00	
Power Saw	4.00	
Contract Work	1,634.50	
County Association Dues	5.00	
Tractor	24.00	
Total expenditures	$1,861.00	
Balance to revenue	139.00	
	$2,000.00	$2,000.00

Moth Suppression

Appropriation		$1,500.00
Labor	$37.90	
Spraying	684.67	
Truck	1.50	
Supplies	168.06	
Total expenditures	$892.13	

Balance to revenue	607.87	
	$1,500.00	$1,500.00

Dutch Elm Disease Control

Appropriation		$2,000.00
Labor	$394.10	
Power Saw	4.00	
Trucks	141.00	
Tractor	72.00	
Contract Work	929.30	
Bulldozer	337.50	
Total expenditures	$1,877.90	
Balance to revenue	122.10	
	$2,000.00	$2,000.00

CHARITIES, AID AND VETERANS' BENEFITS

Public Welfare

Appropriation		$1,000.00
Cash	$20.00	
Medical	35.00	
Hospital	251.44	
Food	106.01	
Total expenditures	$412.45	
Balance to revenue	587.55	
	$1,000.00	$1,000.00

Old Age Assistance

Appropriation		$4,000.00
Refunds		25.62
Transfer from M.A.A.		2,050.00
Cash	$5,960.36	
Other cities and towns	82.78	
Balance to revenue	32.51	
	$6,075.65	$6,075.65

Old Age Assistance, U. S. Grant

Balance from 1961		$14,505.20
Federal Grants		3,994.40
Cash	$1,753.23	
Balance to 1963	16,746.37	
	$18,499.60	$18,499.60

Aid to Dependent Children

Appropriation		$3,000.00
Cash	$2,170.30	
Balance to revenue	829.70	
	$3,000.00	$3,000.00

Aid to Dependent Children, U. S. Grant

Balance from 1961		$4,879.05
Federal Grants		984.00
Cash	$540.85	
Balance to 1963	5,322.20	
	$5,863.05	$5,863.05

Disability Assistance

Appropriation		$3,000.00
Cash	$2,243.87	
Balance to revenue	756.13	
	$3,000.00	$3,000.00

Disability Assistance, U. S. Grant

Balance from 1961		$4,087.18
Federal Grants		989.60
Cash	$537.40	
Balance to 1963	4,539.38	
	$5,076.78	$5,076.78

Medical Aid for the Aged

Appropriation		$9,000.00
Cash	$4,527.80	
Transfer to O.A.A.	2,050.00	
Balance to revenue	2,422.20	
	$9,000.00	$9,000.00

Medical Aid for the Aged, U. S. Grant

Balance from 1961		$4,490.06
Federal Grants		2,361.94
Cash	$894.80	
Balance to 1963	5,957.20	
	$6,852.00	$6,852.00

Central Essex Welfare District Administration

Appropriation		$621.30
Welfare District Expense	$621.30	
	$621.30	$621.30

Veterans' Benefits

Appropriation		$1,500.00
Cash	$425.00	
Medical	143.20	
Hospital	15.00	
Total expenditures	$583.20	
Balance to revenue	916.80	
	$1,500.00	$1,500.00

HIGHWAYS

Highways and Bridges — Selectmen's Fund

Appropriation		$1,000.00
Transfer from Reserve		700.00
Labor	$341.70	
Trucks	87.75	
Tractor	63.00	

Advertising	5.00	
Backhoe	80.00	
Grader	240.00	
Compressor	26.25	
Signs	8.48	
Pipe	480.94	
White Lines	38.00	
Sand and Cement	41.31	
Welding	190.22	
Total expenditures	$1,602.65	
Balance to revenue	97.35	
	$1,700.00	$1,700.00

Chapter 90 — Construction, Washington Street — 1962

Appropriation		$6,250.00
State		12,500.00
County		6,250.00
Labor	$4,002.75	
Trucks	2,566.25	
Tractor	276.00	
Grader	1,525.00	
Shovel	1,587.79	
Bulldozer	1,296.00	
Backhoe	268.00	
Roller	192.00	
Sand and Gravel	2,294.40	
Pipe	447.82	
Hot Top	5,012.15	
Guard Rail	2,727.50	
Supplies	59.35	
Advertising	9.50	
Total expenditures	$22,264.51	
Balance to 1963	2,735.49	
	$25,000.00	$25,000.00

Chapter 90 — Construction, Topsfield Rd. and Washington St.

Balance from 1961		$9,105.89
Transfer from Insurance		218.23
Topsfield Road:		
Labor	$638.70	
Trucks	148.50	
Loader	162.00	
Sand	12.50	
Grass Seed	30.75	
Patch	16.17	
Loam	187.50	
Washington Street:		
Labor	$3,318.30	
Trucks	875.25	
Tractor	273.00	
Bulldozer	1,368.00	
Shovel	1,712.21	
Tractor	273.00	
Power Saw	257.00	
Gravel	274.90	
Pipe	29.40	
Patch	19.94	
	$9,324.12	$9,324.12

Towne Road

Transfer from Surplus Revenue		$6,000.00
Labor	$1,210.80	
Trucks	917.25	
Shovel	1,128.00	
Grader	248.00	
Loader	108.00	
Tractor	48.00	
Power Saw	28.00	
Bulldozer	40.00	
Blasting	42.00	

Gravel	137.50	
Kerosene	15.45	
Total expenditure	$3,923.00	
Balance to 1963	2,077.00	
	$6,000.00	$6,000.00

Chapter 81 — Maintenance

Appropriation		$3,150.00
State Allotment		17,325.00
Labor	$7,489.65	
Trucks	2,508.75	
Sander	175.50	
Loader	12.00	
Grader	410.00	
Backhoe	24.00	
Tractors	656.50	
Power Saws	24.00	
Sand and Gravel	3,069.94	
Oil	4,612.71	
Signs	80.00	
Posts	68.60	
Salt	370.69	
Tools	47.98	
Patch	538.04	
Pipe	17.64	
Guard Rail	30.00	
Use of Town Tools	339.00	
	$20,475.00	$20,475.00

Snow Removal and Sanding

Appropriation		$14,000.00
Transfer from Reserve		1,172.44
Labor	$5,485.60	
Trucks	2,265.00	
Trucks and Plows	1,988.50	

Sander	1,012.50	
Tractor	393.00	
Sand	1,297.59	
Salt	1,108.75	
Use of Town Tools	1,621.50	
	$15,172.44	$15,172.44

Road Machinery Maintenance

Transfers from Road Machinery Fund		$1,650.00
Labor	$106.40	
Gasoline, oil and kerosene	95.61	
Repairs	406.07	
Equipment	634.20	
Light	21.60	
Tools	85.65	
Supplies	104.40	
Fuel	59.50	
Total expenditures	$1,513.43	
Balance to Road Machinery Fund	136.57	
	$1,650.00	$1,650.00

Street Lighting

Appropriation		$850.00
Street Lights	$803.13	
Balance to revenue	46.87	
	$850.00	$850.00

Highway Vacation Account

Appropriation		$1,200.00
Vacation Payrolls	$990.20	
Balance to revenue	209.80	
	$1,200.00	$1,200.00

Sick Benefit

Appropriation		$250.00
Pay Rolls	$206.80	
Balance to revenue	43.20	
	$250.00	$250.00

SCHOOLS AND LIBRARIES

All Schools

Appropriation		$168,503.00
Refunds		57.72
Teachers' Salaries:		
School Teachers	$88,562.75	
Substitutes	2,117.00	
Supervisors	13,114.19	
Home Instruction	24.00	
Superintendence:		
Salary	4,234.92	
Clerks	3,286.32	
Expense	348.61	
Health:		
Nurse	924.56	
Physician	420.00	
Supplies	17.69	
Tuition	528.60	
Transportation	21,893.54	
Miscellaneous:		
Janitors	7,669.21	
Attendance Officers	10.00	
Committee Expense	76.85	
Books	4,192.34	
Supplies	2,366.31	
Fuel	3,848.00	
Electricity	2,006.25	
Telephones	344.37	
Repairs	2,465.61	

Library	100.10	
Office expense	209.43	
Supervisors' expense	247.89	
Insurance	4,766.66	
Janitor's Supplies	1,654.46	
Grounds	130.50	
Remedial Reading	258.45	
Guidance	180.73	
Music	165.54	
Workshop	108.75	
Physical Education	97.10	
Equipment	992.85	
Rubbish Collection	358.00	
Total expenditures	$167,721.58	
Balance to revenue	839.14	
	$168,560.72	$168,560.72

School Building Committee

Appropriation		$15,000.00
Architect	$3,795.00	
Survey	1,549.94	
Test Borings	915.00	
Total expenditures	$6,259.94	
Balance to 1963	8,740.06	
	$15,000.00	$15,000.00

Cole School Alterations

Balance from 1961		$2,353.58
Architect	$163.53	
Contractor	340.55	
Equipment	1,849.50	
Total expenditures	$2,353.58	$2,353.58

Cole School Addition

Balance from 1961		$10,819.38
School Building Loan		5,000.00
Contractors	$7,885.10	
Grounds	4,148.83	
Equipment	2,301.29	
Insurance	138.38	
Total expenditures	$14,473.60	
Balance to 1963	1,345.78	
	$15,819.38	$15,819.38

School Building Committee — 1961 Account

Balance from 1961		$1,478.79
Architect	$19.62	
Clerical	29.25	
Office expense	13.19	
Furniture	189.75	
Total expenditures	$251.81	
Balance to 1963	1,226.98	
	$1,478.79	$1,478.79

School Account — U.S. Public Law #874

Balance Jan. 1, 1962		$7,275.80
U.S. Treasury		2,511.00
Sound System	$1,742.00	
Balance to 1963	8,044.80	
	$9,786.80	$9,786.80

School Lunch Program

Balance from 1961	$2,681.25
Refund	100.07
State Grants	4,807.03
Cash	12,862.52

Salaries	$5,233.76	
Supplies	10,748.21	
Transportation	243.00	
Total expenditures	$16,224.97	
Balance to 1963	4,225.90	
	$20,450.87	$20,450.87

Regional District School

Appropriation		$183,491.70
Masconomet Regional District School	$183,491.70	

East Parish Library

Appropriation		$550.00
Half dog license refund from County		219.06
60% State Aid to Public Libraries		301.50
Operation expense refunded to Association	$1,070.56	
	$1,070.56	$1,070.56

West Parish Library

Appropriation		$550.00
Half dog licenses refund from County		219.05
40% State Aid to Public Libraries		201.00
Operating expense refunded to Association	$970.05	
	$970.05	$970.05

UNCLASSIFIED

Town Halls

Appropriation		$1,700.00
Transfer from reserve		60.00
Janitors	$171.00	
Fuel	415.34	

Light	232.09	
Telephone	342.26	
Repairs	579.16	
Supplies	16.57	
Total expenditures	$1,756.42	
Balance to revenue	3.58	
	$1,760.00	$1,760.00

Public Grounds

Appropriation		$300.00
Care of Public Grounds	$141.28	
Balance to revenue	158.72	
	$300.00	$300.00

Town Forest

Appropriation		$100.00
Labor	$100.00	
	$100.00	$100.00

Soldiers' Graves

Appropriation		$225.00
East Parish Cemeteries	$100.00	
West Parish Cemeteries	100.00	
Balance to revenue	25.00	
	$225.00	$225.00

Harmony Cemetery

Appropriation		$150.00
Maintenance	$150.00	
	$150.00	$150.00

Boxford Village Cemetery

Appropriation		$150.00
Maintenance	$150.00	
	$150.00	$150.00

Mt. Vernon Cemetery

Appropriation		$50.00
Maintenance	$50.00	
	$50.00	$50.00

Memorial Day

Appropriation		$375.00
American Legion Post #379	$275.00	
Transfer to Land Damage	100.00	
	$375.00	$375.00

Clerical

Appropriation		$1,000.00
Clerical	$758.26	
Balance to revenue	241.74	
	$1,000.00	$1,000.00

Community House

Appropriation		$100.00
Electricity	$42.43	
Repairs	16.75	
Total expenditures	$59.18	
Balance to revenue	40.82	
	$100.00	$100.00

Town Reports

Appropriation		$1,100.00
Town Reports	$1,021.50	
Delivery	50.00	
Total expenditures	$1,071.50	
Balance to revenue	28.50	
	$1,100.00	$1,100.00

Civil Defense

Balance from 1961		$9.32
Appropriation		400.00
Transfer from Insurance		200.00
Director's Salary	$100.00	
Fire	111.49	
Telephone	66.00	
Office expenses	220.65	
Total expenditures	$498.14	
Balance to 1963	111.18	
	$609.32	$609.32

Contingency Fund

Appropriation		$500.00
Use of Clay's Beach	$120.00	
Masconomet School rent	$103.75	
Survey-Spofford property	70.00	
Appeal Board	30.00	
Advertising	23.90	
Total expenditures	$377.65	
Balance to revenue	122.35	
	$500.00	$500.00

Interest and Amortization of School Loan

Appropriation		$70,100.00
Interest	$2,962.50	
Payment on Principal	67,000.00	
Total expenditures	$69,962.50	
Balance to revenue	137.50	
	$70,100.00	$70,100.00

Reserve Fund

Appropriation from Overlay Fund		$7,000.00
Total Transfers	$3,335.46	
Balance to Overlay Reserve	3,664.54	
	$7,000.00	$7,000.00

Insurance

Appropriation		$6,037.00
Compensation	$995.55	
Liability	359.44	
Motor Vehicle Liability	1,917.87	
Boiler	674.72	
Fire, Theft and Collision	290.49	
Accident	411.75	
Total expenditures	$4,649.82	
Transfers	818.23	
Balance to revenue	568.95	
	$6,037.00	$6,037.00

Respectfully submitted,

BARBARA C. PERLEY
Town Accountant

REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER

The Receipts and Disbursements in the General Cash Account for the year 1962 were as follows:

Balance January 1, 1962		$317,000.64
Tax, Collector	$517,061.53	
Commonwealth of Massachusetts:		
Highways	$36,138.68	
Education	89,109.86	
Taxes	14,588.88	

Old Age Assistance, grants	6,890.99	
Aid to Dependent Children, grants	2,053.57	
Disability Assistance, grants	2,228.97	
Medical Aid to Aged	4,419.93	
Veterans' Benefits	552.30	
Animal Inspection	25.00	
School Lunch Program	4,807.03	
County of Essex:		
Highways	9,819.34	
Dog License refund	438.11	
Trust Funds, Income	1,260.00	
Departmental receipts	3,004.33	
Licenses and permits	2,114.50	
Income from town property	351.00	
Federal Withholding Tax Account	22,799.90	
State Withholding Tax Account	2,100.10	
Departmental refunds	252.44	
School Lunch Program	12,862.52	
County Retirement Account	2,665.99	
Court Fines	65.00	
Telephone refunds and commission	110.41	
Towne Road	6,000.00	
Gravel	1,176.25	
Tax Title	918.76	
Interest	4,106.67	
Miscellaneous	109.78	
		$748,031.84
		$1,065,032.48
Disbursements		
Treasury Warrants as issued by Accountant and approved by Selectmen		$798,884.76
Balance, December 31, 1962		$266,147.72

For a more detailed statement of Receipts and Disbursements, see report of Town Accountant.

REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS AND ACCOUNTS

STABILIZATION FUND

Georgetown Savings Bank, Book 14821:	
Balance January 1, 1962	$1,611.57
Deposit	8,000.00
Interest	252.29
	$9,863.86
Salem Five Cents Savings Bank, Book 110123	
On deposit January 1, 1962	$36,498.76
Interest for year 1962	1,474.52
Balance January 1, 1963	$37,973.28
Warren Five Cents Savings Bank, Book 96052	
On deposit January 1, 1962	$20,977.34
Interest for year 1962	847.46
Balance January 1, 1963	$21,824.80
Salem Five Cents Savings Bank, Book 73711	
On deposit January 1, 1962	$26,533.12
Deposit March 29, 1962	1,000.00
Interest for year 1962	1,100.84
Balance January 1, 1963	$28,633.96
Georgetown Savings Bank, Book 15244	
On deposit January 1, 1962	$8,974.48
Deposit April 14, 1962	600.00
Interest for year 1962	374.54
Balance January 1, 1963	$9,949.02

TOWN FARM FUND

There are deposited in the safe deposit vault of the Danvers Savings Bank, United States Treasury Bonds, par value $6,500.00.

$6,500.00 U. S. Treasury Bonds, 2½'s, 70/65	$6,500.00
Danvers Savings Bank, Book 14805:	
On deposit January 1, 1962	8,081.89
Interest for the year 1962	326.48
Balance January 1, 1963	$8,408.37

Interest from the above bonds is deposited in the banks as follows:

Lawrence Savings Bank, Book 83858:	
On deposit January 1, 1962	$149.03
Interest for the year 1962	6.39
Balance January 1, 1963	$155.42
Salem Five Cents Savings Bank, Book 28764:	
On deposit January 1, 1962	$17,147.71
Interest on U. S. Treasury Bonds	162.50
Savings Bank Interest for 1962	698.42
Balance January 1, 1963	$18,008.63
Salem Savings Bank, Book 99618:	
On deposit January 1, 1962	$8,780.41
Interest for the year 1962	354.72
Balance January 1, 1963	$9,135.13

WEST PARISH LIBRARY FUND

Lawrence Savings Bank, Book 107895:	
On deposit January 1, 1962	$1,500.00
Interest for the year 1962	64.41
Balance January 1, 1963	$1,564.41
Salem Five Cents Savings Bank, Book 30896:	
On deposit January 1, 1962	$1,500.00
Interest for the year 1962	60.90
Balance January 1, 1963	$1,560.90

EAST PARISH LIBRARY COTE FUND

Danvers Savings Bank, Book 10319:	
On deposit January 1, 1962	$1,190.13
Interest for the year 1962	48.06
Balance January 1, 1963	$1,238.19

BOXFORD VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION

Danvers Savings Bank, Book 9224:	
On deposit January 1, 1962	$1,221.12
Interest for the year 1962	49.32
Balance January 1, 1963	$1,270.44

POST WAR REHABILITATION FUND

Interest from U. S. bonds were deposited in the Danvers Savings Bank, Book 15573:

On deposit January 1, 1962	$2,073.68
Interest for the year 1962	83.76
Balance January 1, 1963	$2,157.44
Georgetown Savings Bank, Book 11752:	
On deposit January 1, 1962	$2,801.91
Interest for the year 1962	113.16
Balance January 1, 1963	$2,915.07

SARAH P. PERLEY FUND

Andover Savings Bank, Book 38221:	
On deposit January 1, 1962	$2,173.68
Interest for the year 1962	87.80
Balance January 1, 1963	$2,261.48

CURTIS AND KILLAM BURIAL LOT FUND

Danvers Savings Bank, Book 8600:	
On deposit January 1, 1962	$345.79
Interest for the year 1962	13.94
Balance January 1, 1963	$359.73

EAST PARISH LIBRARY FUND

Lawrence Savings Bank Book 107894:	
On deposit January 1, 1962	$2,000.00
Interest for the year 1962	85.89
Balance January 1, 1963	$2,085.89
Salem Five Cents Savings Bank, Book 30898:	
On deposit January 1, 1962	$1,500.00
Interest for the year 1962	60.90
Balance January 1, 1963	$1,560.90

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL FUNDS

For the year ending December 31, 1962

The funds are invested in the following Savings Banks:

Salem Five Cents Savings Bank Book No. 11474		$1,000.00
Danvers Saving Bank Book No. 5501		2,000.00
Salem Savings Bank Book No. 83786		1,000.00
Haverhill Savings Bank		
Book No. T 2437	On Deposit January 1, 1962	422.49
	Interest for 1962	17.13
	Deposit	60.38
	Balance December 31, 1962	500.00
	Total amount of fund	$4,500.00

The interest on the above funds has been sent to the Town Treasurer by check as follows:

Salem Five Cents Savings Bank	$40.00
Danvers Savings Bank	80.00
Salem Savings Bank	40.00
Total	$160.00

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY E. TRASK

RICHARD P. CHADWICK

AMY G. PARKHURST
Committee on School Funds

All of the Bonds and bank books for the preceding Trust Funds are in the custody of the Town Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

LUCY K. PARKHURST,
Treasurer

ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF BOXFORD

FOR THE
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1962

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL REPORT

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

LeRoy E. Curtis, Jr., Chairman	Term expires 1963
Mrs. Shirley MacGill, Vice-Chairman	Term expires 1964
Peter K. Race, Secretary	Term expires 1965
John Benson	Term expires 1963
G. Dana Bill	Term expires 1963

SUPERINTENDENT

Herbert A. Rouisse

This report of the needs, accomplishments, and costs of public elementary education in Boxford is herewith submitted:

School Committee Operation

During this first complete year as a five man committee, a total of 21 regular meetings and 2 special meetings were held.

Two resignations were received during the year. E. Arthur Woodbury resigned from the committee in June and was replaced by John Benson. The resignation of David S. Waters became effective December 27th. G. Dana Bill was elected to serve in his stead on January 24, 1963.

Regular meetings for 1963 are scheduled for the second and fourth Thursday of each month in the library of the Cole School. Meetings are open and the public is invited to attend.

Financial

The continuing growth of the elementary school population dictates a substantial increase in the cost of elementary education in 1963.

The elementary school population was 339 on October 1, 1960. This figure reached 395 pupils in 1961, and 452 pupils n 1962. Pupil population projections indicate a further growth to 509 for the fall of 1963. Budgetary provision is made for two additional teachers and a greater quantity of books and supplies.

The change in each major account is noted below:

Account	Appropriation 1962	Budget 1963	Increase Decrease	Per Cent of Change
General Account	$ 7,206.	$ 7,547.	$ 341.	+ 4.7%
Instruction	108,675.	127,014.	18,339.	+ 16.9%
Operation of School Plant	15,312.	16,477.	1,165.	+ 7.6%
Maintenance of School Plant	1,900.	1,865.	— 35.	— 1.8%
Auxiliary Agencies	35,002.	32,486.	—2,516.	— 7.2%
Outlay	408.	868.	460.	+ 112.7%
Total	$168,503.	$186,257.	$17,754.	+ 10.5%

The major increase in the budget is found in the Instruction Account. The increase here of $18,339., a rise of 16.9%, can be attributed to these factors:

1. The provision of salary for two additional teachers for September-December, 1963.
2. The impact of a full year's salary for two teachers added in September, 1963.
3. The impact for a full year of salary schedule adjustments granted to be effective in September, 1962.
4. The impact for the portion of the year from September-December, 1963 of salary schedule adjustments granted to be effective in September, 1963.

An estimate of average enrollment for 1962, based largely on actual figures, is 428. Therefore, our gross per pupil cost for 1962 is $393.70. Anticipated receipts, after an apportionment of Chapter 70 funds for secondary education, will total about $46,990. giving a net per pupil cost to the town for 1962 of $283.91.

For comparison, an estimated membership of 476 pupils for 1963 divided into the proposed budget produces a gross per pupil cost of $391.29. Anticipated receipts for 1963, with

Chapter 70 funds apportioned as above, will total about $54,712.69, giving an estimated net per pupil cost for 1963 of $276.35.

PER PUPIL COSTS

	Gross	Net
1962	$3[illegible]	$283.91
1963	39[illegible]	[illegible]5
Difference	$—2.41	$—7.56

School Facilities

The addition of two classes in September necessitated the reopening of the Gardner Morse School in West Boxford. Housed there are a first grade and a second grade comprised of West Boxford children. With the use of these two classrooms, all standard classrooms are now in use. It will doubtless be necessary to house a class in the basement room at the Gardner Morse school for the 1963-1964 school year. In addition it may be necessary to place a class on the stage of the Cole School. This continuing growth shows no indication of abating and points up the critical need for favorable action by the town on the proposed new school. If an affirmative vote is made, the new plant should be ready for the 1964-1965 school year. Delay in this matter will find a desperate housing problem facing the elementary schools.

The program of maintenance continues in an effort to keep the present facilities in an attractive, safe, and economically sound condition. The interior of three Cole School classrooms were painted as well as two classrooms and a corridor at the Morse School. An intercom system was installed in the Cole School. Geocoustic units were installed in two classrooms of the Gardner Morse School, eliminating what has been a long continuing problem of poor acoustics. In addition, the more routine tasks of refinishing a number of desk tops and replacing damaged floor tiles have been carried out.

The facilities of the Cole School have served for more than educational purposes during the past year. Various scouting groups use the school regularly. Regular meetings of the School Committee, the School Building Committee, the Parent-Teacher Association, and various offiicial town hearings and meetings are held here. Basketball activities have been carried on for boys of various ages, and the ball field is used during the summer months. It can be safely stated that the school facilities are serving a real community purpose.

Guidance

The position of school adjustment counsellor was initially established in September, 1962, making available for the first time this valuable service. The function of the school adjustment counsellor is to work with pupils, parents, and the school staff in cases of social or emotional maladjustment on the part of the child, which is detrimental to his school progress or his relationships with his schoolmates and teachers. The program is designed to be preventive in nature through helping the young child to adjust to the demands of the school society, hopefully eliminating the problems, which, if not recognized and helped, can be the forerunners of severe maladjustment as the child matures. The services of Miss Lois Crane, the counsellor, are shared by the elementary schools in Topsfield, Boxford, and Middleton on a 40%-30%-30%-basis, with costs similarly apportioned. This program is state supported to a considerable extent. While a program of this nature must be a long range, continuing process with results truly evaluative only after years, a preliminary observation following four months of operation indicates that this service will be a major asset to the school and community.

Curriculum

The budget, provision of facilities, and the maintenance of facilities are essential aspects of public education, but the most vital aspect is the educational program which is financed through the budget and carried on in the facilities provided.

The Boxford Schools are geared to a conservative educational program, with emphasis on strong academic preparation. Yet this conservatism, dedicated to a strong intellectual training for its boys and girls is tempered by three strong forces. First, while building upon that in education which is tested and known to be strong, the Boxford Schools endeavor to bring into use every proven advance in methods and materials. Secondly, there is the recognition that these pupils must have a well-rounded education. While primary stress is laid on academic preparation, every pupil is entitled to the opportunity to develop in the arts, to the opportunity of acquiring a considerable knowledge of his cultural heritage, and to the opportunity for healthy growth, both physical and emotional. The third force is a recognition of the child as an individual, with his own particular capacities, goals, interests, and talents. While pupils may be taught as groups, they learn as individuals.

Four curriculum guides have been completed and approved during the past two years. These guides, in English, arithmetic, social studies, and science were developed by committees of Topsfield and Boxford teachers working cooperatively. It is felt that these guides, with recognized limitations, will serve to unify the programs, be of assistance to teachers currently serving here and especially to those new to the system, and serve as a springboard to the development of more valuable guides in these areas, as well as to the development of guides in other areas.

The reading program continues to receive study and every attempt is being made to strengthen this program still further in the belief that success in reading is the cornerstone of the entire elementary school program and the basis for a successful secondary school career. One significant step in this direction was the introduction of the so-called Joplin Plan in reading for the intermediate grades. One major aim of this plan is to reduce the range of reading ability found in any given reading class, thus making it possible to have fewer instructional groups in reading and be more able to offer reading instruction to all children at a reading level from which they can most profit.

Therefore, during the reading period, pupils in the intermediate grades are regrouped on the basis of their progress in reading. A large number of groups reading at various levels can be formed but there are only two groups in any given class, making it possible for the teacher to spend more time with each group than was the case under the self-contained classroom approach used previously.

The pattern of grouping within the self-contained classroom has remained the same at the primary level. However, there has been greater effort made to review this grouping in June for fall placement to the end that extremes in ranges in the different classes will be reduced, a better classification can be effected, and all pupils, to the fullest extent possible, be grouped for reading with pupils of similar needs. Grouping in this fashion should also make possible the more rapid progress of the academically more able during the primary grades. This more rapid advance will result in advanced reading placement for these children when they enter the Joplin Plan grouping at fourth grade level.

Not only has there been a continuation of the attempt to provide a wider range of reading materials, basic instructional texts, general supplementary books, and specialized reading materials, but two efforts have been made at experimental use of new programs. In one first grade class, the recently revised American Book Company reading series has been used in place of the Ginn basal readers regularly used. The Phonetic Keys to Reading Series is being used in a second grade class for a year. These are used in conjunction with the regular basal readers and emphasize, as the title implies, a strong phonetic approach to word recognition. It is hoped that a year long comparison of the relative effectiveness of these new series will point the way for future use and purchase.

Health Service

The school health service has grown with the school population, with every attempt being made to improve the level of

the service as well as to meet the quantitative demands. Through the efforts of the school physician and school nurse, the many routine activities were carred on: height and weight checks for all pupils, first aid, care of ill children, the initiation and maintenance of health records. In addition, these health activities were carried on:

Physical Examinations: — 63 pupils.
Vision Tests — 417 pupils — 10 referrals.
Hearing Tests — 417 pupils — 3 referrals.
Tuberculosis Patch Tests — 114 pupils — All negative.
Diphtheria-Tetanus Inoculations — 69 pupils.
Flu-Vaccine — School staff — To reduce staff absenteeism.

Dr. Fred Nahil ,who has served as school physician since 1952, resigned at the end of 1962 to pursue further study in the field of anesthesiology. His position will be filled by Dr. Clarence Thornton of Danvers. Also terminating duties during the year was Miss Ruth Barnard, School Nurse since 1947. Miss Barnard who has served both Boxford and Topsfield, will limit her school nursing activities to Topsfield in view of the expansion in both towns. Her work in the Boxford Schools is now carried on by Mrs. Mary Hunter of Boxford.

While capable replacements have been secured, note should be taken of the service of Dr. Nahil and Miss Barnard during these several years and their contribution to our Boxford youth.

What Lies Ahead?

The establishment of an elementary summer school program should be given full consideration. The value of such a summer program for certain pupils has been demonstrated in many communities. Enrichment, remedial instruction, and help for marginal pupils are proper aspects of a summer program. Considered even from an economic perspective, summer school may save a year of costly repetition for some pupils and make possible use of expensive school facilities for a greater part of the year.

The need for a speech teacher grows more obvious yearly. There are many pupils with remediable speech deficiencies now and the number increases yearly. While a few of these pupils are being helped now outside the school, an effective program will become operative only with the employment of a speech teacher and the development of the preventive as well as the remedial aspect of the program. It should be noted that the state department will contribute toward the financial support of such a program. Perhaps this, as well as the summer school mentioned above, should initially be established in conjunction with a neighboring school system.

Another recognized weakness is in the field of physical education. While some attempt has been made to carry on a very limited program without sufficient time, space, and personnel, it is recognized that these have been stop gap measures, which have perhaps obscured the urgent need. Although the anticipated crowded housing situation in the coming school year virtually precludes the development of an expanded program, serious attention should be given to this matter with the hoped for additional facilities in 1964.

It has been realized for some time that an effective school plan for civilian defense-evacuation procedures, fallout shelter protection, and instructional responsibilities — has been lacking and is sorely needed. Leadership in this matter has been virtually nonexistent at both the national and state levels. It has also been recognized that any effective school plan must be an integral part of a community plan. Therefore, the school committee has been attempting to develop a plan within the framework of a community plan. It is hoped to make significant progress in this vital area during 1963.

In Closing

Mrs. Gladys MacPherson retired from teaching in June, 1962, completing a period of service in the Boxford Schools which started in 1942. During that period the children of many, if not most, Boxford families have benefited from her instruc-

tion. Mrs. MacPherson demanded of both herself and pupils high standards of conduct and performance. Hers is a job well done, and the influence of her teaching will be felt in Boxford for many years.

ENROLLMENT OCTOBER 1, 1962

HARRY LEE COLE

Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	Totals
Boys	36	29	10	46	38	33	192
Girls	22	26	16	42	30	29	165
	58	55	26	88	68	62	357

AARON WOOD

Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	Totals
Boys			25				25
Girls			26				26
			51				51

GARDNER MORSE

Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	Totals
Boys	12	8					20
Girls	11	13					24
	23	21					44

SCHOOL CENSUS

Ages	5-7	7-16	16-21	Totals
Boys	51	307	34	392
Girls	44	285	36	365
	95	592	70	757

SCHOOL CALENDAR

1963

Winter Term

January 2 ..... School Reopens

February 15 ..... Winter Recess — school closes at regular time
February 25 ..... School Reopens
April 11 ..... Good Friday and Spring Recess — school closes at regular time

SPRING TERM

April 22 ..... School Reopens
May 30 ..... Memorial Day — no school
June 19, 20 ..... Closing Hour 12:00 noon
June 21 .....School closes for summer vacation at 12:00 noon

Fall Term

September 3 and 4 ..... Teacher Orientation
September 5 and 6 ..... School in Session — Dismissal at 12:00 noon
September 9 ..... School opens full time sessions
October 16 ..... County Teachers' Convention — no school
November 11 ..... Veterans' Day — no school
November 27 ..... Thanksgiving Recess — dismissal at noon
December 2 ..... School reopens
December 20 ..... Christmas Recess — school closes at regular time

(Subject to change)

NO-SCHOOL SIGNAL

No-school announcements will be broadcast over WBZ, WNAC, WHAV and WESX between 7:00 and 7:30 A.M., if there is no school for the day. Announcements regarding No-school are made by the Boxford Superintendent for the elementary schools only. Announcements for the Masconomet Regional High School will be made by the Regional Superintendent and will be so designated.

In addition, three long blasts will be given on the local fire alarm in Boxford Village and West Boxford at 7:15 A.M. to designate No-School for the elementary classes for the day.

During stormy or extremely cold weather, parents are urged to exercise their own judgment in sending their children to school.

REIMBURSEMENTS FOR 1962

General School Fund, Chapter 70	$45,462.62
Union Superintendent of Schools	1,306.67
All School Transportation	17,208.40
Chapter 58	1,900.00
Vocational Education	23.55
	$65,901.24

BOXFORD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BUDGET FOR 1963

1. GENERAL CONTROLS		
School Committee		
Salary of Clerk	$300.00	
Expenses of Committee	150.00	
Superintendent		
Salary	4,485.00	
Travel within state	232.00	
Travel without state	74.00	
Salary of Clerks	1,828.00	
Office Expenses	368.00	
Census	100.00	
Attendance Officers	10.00	
		$7,547.00
2. INSTRUCTION		
Supervisors	$16,076.00	
Supervisors' Expenses	225.00	

Teachers		
Elementary	102,408.00	
Substitutes	1,430.00	
Home Teachers	200.00	
Textbooks	3,000.00	
Supplies		
Elementary	2,400.00	
Physical Education	200.00	
Audio Visual	325.00	
Guidance	250.00	
Remedial Reading	300.00	
Music	200.00	
		$127,014.00

3. OPERATION OF SCHOOL PLANT

Janitors' Salaries	$7,407.00	
Fuel	3,700.00	
Light and Power	2,270.00	
Janitors' Supplies	1,450.00	
Telephones	300.00	
Reimbursable Janitors' Salaries	650.00	
Rubbish Collection and Snow Removal	400.00	
Contingency	300.00	
		$16,477.00

4. MAINTENANCE OF SCHOOL PLANT

Specific Repairs and Replacements	$1,065.00	
Emergency Repairs and Replacements	800.00	
		$1,865.00

5. AUXILIARY AGENICIES

Health		
Nurse	$900.00	
Physician	470.00	
Medical Supplies	60.00	

Transportation		
Regular	22,745.00	
Vocational	216.00	
Educational Trips	200.00	
Special Class	1,080.00	
Tuition	770.00	
Teachers' Workshop & Conferences	75.00	
School Library	350.00	
Insurance	3,200.00	
Matching Funds — Title III	200.00	
School Lunch Supervisors	1,920.00	
Contingency	300.00	
		$32,486.00
6. OUTLAY		
New Equipment		868.00
		$186,257.00

ESTIMATED REIMBURSEMENTS 1963

General School Funds Chapter 70	$50,246.77	
Based on proportion of pupils —		
Elementary	$30,751.02	
Secondary	19,495.75	
Unon Superintendent's Salary and Travel Allowance	1,306.67	
School Transportation	20,365.00	
Special Education, Tuition and Travel	690.00	
School Adjustment Counsellor	1,350.00	
Vocational Education, Tuition and Travel	250.00	
For Elementary Purposes		54,712.69
Net Cost to Town for Elementary Education		$131,544.31

TEACHERS' DIRECTORY

As of January 1, 1963

Name	Grade or Subject	School	Appointment	Graduate of
Joseph P. Ritchie	Principal	Cole	1956	Boston College
Helen Chadwick	6	Cole	1955	Bridgewater State College
Mary Welch	6	Cole	1958	Bridgewater State College
Anne F. Cronin	5-6	Cole	1962	R. I. College of Education
Dorothea D'Agostino	5	Cole	1960	Farmington State College
Ruth E. Morin	5	Cole	1950	Hyannis State College
Barbara Benson	4	Cole	1962	University of Illinois
Geraldine Drummey	4	Cole	1960	Lowell State College
Isabelle Griffin	4	Cole	1961	Regis College
Marie Audet	3	Cole	1959	Salem State College
Anne Bixby	3	Wood	1961	Wellesley College
Margaret Trahan	3	Wood	1963	Salem State College
Dorothy Carver	2	Morse	1939	Salem State College
Harriet Goldthwaite	2	Cole	1962	University of Massachusetts
Grace Schultz	2	Cole	1962	Valparaiso University
Enid Davis	1	Morse	1961	So. Conn. State College
Lelia Millay	1	Cole	1944	Farmington State College
Geraldine West	1	Cole	1958	Salem State College
Helen R. Hunter	Reading	Cole	1961	Tufts University

Helen M. Hight	Art	1962	Springfield College
Sandra Shore	Music	1961	Boston Conservatory of Music
Lois Crane	School Adjustment Counsellor	1962	Boston University

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Expenditures for the past year have been thoroughly studied by your Finance Committee. It is our opinion that all departments of the town operated efficiently and within their budgets.

The budget requirements for the year 1963 are consistent with the increasing demands occasioned by the growth of the town. The ever-present requirements of school expansion probably will have no effect on the tax rate for the current year. However, continued proper application of our financial reserves should be fully applied in order to reduce what now appears to be a greater tax rate for the years 1964 and 1965, when additional proposed school facilities will then be in operation. As your finance committee, we must insist upon a "pay-as-you-go" basis — more particularly, a healthy stabilization fund.

We belive that our growth rate has been healthy and gradual, in comparison with other communities. The assessors have been faced with the problem of broadening the tax base. Valuations have been reconsidered, especially in the area of older homes. However, this is not enough! It is the opinion of the finance committee that there is a present opportunity to attract suitable commercial enterprise or light industry to Boxford without affecting the delightful character of this typical New England town.

There are those who are interested in forming an industrial commission, so-called. We urge the cooperation of all the citizens in this study and work.

"Conflict of Interest" is on the tongue of all tax-payers and municipal workers these days. If the law goes into effect after May 1st, it is our opinion that it will be necessary to establish a Public Works Department for the town. Obviously, such a step will require additional expenditures. The question is under study, and a report will be made to the citizens in due course.

T. E. CARGILL, JR.
DeWITT MINICH
ARION C. PIERCE
CHARLES RICH

WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Essex, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Boxford, in said County.

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Boxford, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs to meet in the Masconomet Regional School, Boxford, on Monday, the fourth day of March next, at 8:00 o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

Article 1. To hear and act on the reports of the Town Officers and Committees.

Article 2. To act on the suggested budget and see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the use of the several departments for the current year, to wit: Schools, Highways and Bridges, Charities, Health, Veterans' Benefits, Street Lighting, Moth Suppression, Memorial Day, Forest Warden, Town Halls, Elections, Interest on Loans, Sealer of Weights and Measures, Town Clerk, Accountant, Selectmen and all other necessary and proper expenses arising during said year.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate $1,500.00 or other suitable sum, for the maintenance of Road Machinery, said amount to be transferred from the Road Machinery Fund.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate $10,000.00 for the Reserve Fund, said amount to be transferred from Overlay Reserve.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the

financial year beginning January 1, 1963 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

Article 6. To allow bills of charge and to raise and appropriate money for paying the same.

Article 7. To see what compensation the Town will vote to pay for labor in the several departments for the ensuing year.

Article 8. To appropriate $364.33 refunded from the County on account of dog licenses for libraries or schools.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,100.00 to be divided equally between the two libraries of the Town for use toward the maintenance of said libraries; or take any action relative thereto.

Article 10. To see if the Town will accept the provisions of Chapter 760 of the Acts of 1960 relative to State Aid for Public Libraries.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $425,000.00, or any other sum, for the purpose of constructing and originally equipping and furnishing a school building, and determine whether the money shall be provided for by taxation, by appropriation from available funds including the Stabilization Fund, and by borrowing under authority of Chapter 760 of the Acts of 1960 relative to Sate Aid for action in relation thereto.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Surplus Revenue the sum of $35,600.00 to meet the State and County allotments for highways, the money when reimbursed to be credited to Surplus Revenue.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate $2,000.00 or other proper sum for a speed control and safety survey and installation of necessary traffic signs.

Article 14. To see if the Town will enact a by-law setting forth provisions for appointment of a wire inspector and de-

fining his powers and duties, and providing for his fees and their collection from the owners of property inspected.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to terminate the borrowing authority voted at the special Town Meeting of October 26, 1960 in connection with the Cole School addition, so that no further sums may be borrowed under said vote.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of $54,000.00 from available funds to the Stabilization Fund.

Article 17. To see whether the Town will vote to raise and appropriate $3,000.00 for the purchase of a sander and a used tractor.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $6,000.00 for use in conjunction with allotments from the State and County, for Chapter 90, highway work; said sum to be transferred from funds received from the State under Chapter 782, Acts of 1962, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 19. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

You are hereby ordered to notify and warn said qualified voters to meet in Lincoln Hall, West Boxford, on Tuesday, the fifth day of March next, for the following purposes, viz: To choose by ballot the following Town Officers for the ensuing year: Moderator for one year; Selectmen for three years; Collector of Taxes for one year; Assessor of Taxes for three years; 2 members of the School Committee for three years; 1 member of the School Committee for 1 year; Board of Health for three years; Surveyor of Highways, East Parish, for one year; Surveyor of Highways, West Parish, for one year; Tree Warden for one year; Constable, East Parish, for one year; Constable, West Parish, for one year; one member of the Planning Board for five years; one member of the Regional District School Committee for three years.

THE POLLS WILL BE OPEN AT 12:00 NOON AND WILL CLOSE AT 8:00 P.M.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof at each of the public meeting houses in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this eighth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixty-three.

HARRY L. COLE

JOHN G. BOLTON

FRANKLIN C. ROBERTS, JR.

Board of Selectmen

SUGGESTED BUDGET FOR 1963

Selectmen	$1,450.00
Board of Public Welfare	300.00
Assessors	2,250.00
Treasurer	700.00
Town Clerk	600.00
Collector of Taxes	2,000.00
Town Accountant	2,700.00
Registrars	275.00
Elections	200.00
Planning Board	1,500.00
Appeal Board	350.00
Building Inspector	900.00
Wire Inspector	850.00
Finance Committee	50.00
Town Counsel	500.00
Board of Health	3,300.00
Inspection of Slaughtering	1,000.00
Inspection of Animals	50.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures	35.00
Dog Officer	70.00
Police	6,500.00
Forest Warden	2,000.00
Fire Warden	6,830.00
Tree Warden	2,000.00
Moth Suppression	1,400.00
Dutch Elm Disease Control	2,500.00
Public Welfare	
Disability Assistance	
Aid to Dependent Children	14,000.00
Old Age Assistance	
Medical Aid to Aged	
Central Essex Welfare District Admin.	550.00
Veterans' Benefits	1,500.00
School	186,257.00

Regional District School	209,467.44
Highways and Bridges, Selectmen's Fund	2,000.00
Chapter 81—Maintenance	3,200.00
Snow Removal and Sanding	14,000.00
Street Lighting	900.00
Vacation Account	1,200.00
Sick Benefit	250.00
Town Halls	2,000.00
Public Grounds	300.00
Town Forest	100.00
Civil Defense	300.00
Insurance	4,695.71
Memorial Day	375.00
Soldiers' Graves	225.00
Mt. Vernon Cemetery	50.00
Harmony Cemetery	150.00
Boxford Village Cemetery	150.00
Town Reports	1,200.00
Clerical	1,500.00
Selectmen's Contingent Fund	700.00
Interest on Maturing Debt	2,000.00
School House Notes	12,000.00
Community House	300.00
Recreation Committee	1,650.00
Gas Inspector	500.00
	$501,830.15

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IN MEMORIAM

JAMES P. GRAY

1918 — 1963

Dog Officer 1949-1963 Election Officer 1960 and 1962

EDWARD KENDALL MORTIMER

1883 - 1963

Highway Department Employee	1944 - 1955		
Town Election Teller	1928	1931	1936
Election Officer - Town Election	1938		

GEORGE EDWIN INCH, SR.

1876 - 1963

Custodian Town Hall	1962 - 1963
Custodian Town Dump	1963

TOWN OFFICERS

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Franklin C. Roberts, Jr.	Term expires 1964
Harry L. Cole	Term expires 1965
John Evans	Term expires 1966

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Selectmen

CENTRAL ESSEX WELFARE DISTRICT

Mrs. Phyllis R. Brown, Director

NORTH ANDOVER and BOXFORD DISTRICT DEPT. OF VETERANS' SERVICE

Bernard W. Bingham, District Director

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Harry L. Cole	Term expires 1964
Harry E. Trask	Term expires 1965
J. Warren Chadwick	Term expires 1966

TOWN TREASURER

Lucy K. Parkhurst	Term expires 1964

TOWN CLERK

E. Laurence Colby	Term expires 1965
Barbara C. Perley, Assistant	Term expires 1965

MODERATOR

William J. Greenler, Jr.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES

Frederick A. Smallman

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Shirley L. MacGill	Term expires 1964
Robert R. Crandall	Term expires 1964
Peter K. Race	Term expires 1965
G. Dana Bill	Term expires 1966
A. Gordon Price	Term expires 1966

BOARD OF HEALTH

Raymond Perley — Term expires 1964
Harry L. Cole — Term expires 1965
Stephen Maddock, M.D. — Term expires 1966

TREE WARDEN

Alerson E. Noyes (Resigned) — Robert E. Hebb (Appointed)

HIGHWAYS SURVEYORS

Clinton E. French — B. Robert Cunningham

CONSTABLES

Nathaniel N. Love, Jr. — Walter H. Gamans, Jr.

CHIEF OF POLICE

Nathaniel N. Love, Jr.

MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

Alerson E. Noyes (Resigned) — Robert E. Hebb (Appointed)

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Chester A. Leighton

COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL FUNDS

Amy G. Parkhurst — Harry E. Trask
Richard P. Chadwick

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Barbara C. Perley — Term expires 1965

CHIEF OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Archer N. French (Resigned) — C. Richard Cunningham

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

William J. Greenler, D.V.M.

INSPECTORS OF SLAUGHTERING

Charles H. Foster — Samuel E. Lawes

TRUANT AND ATTENDANCE OFFICER

Archer N. French

DOG OFFICER

James P. Gray (Deceased) — Grace L. Gray

FOREST WARDEN

Archer N. French (Resigned) C. Richard Cunningham

FENCE VIEWERS

Selectmen

REGIONAL DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Hans W. Barber	Term expires 1965
Arthur Gingrande	Term expires 1966

PLANNING BOARD

E. Laurence Colby	Term expires 1964
J. Warren Chadwick	Term expires 1965
William E. Dorman	Term expires 1965
Simeon S. Pearl	Term expires 1966
Warren R. Godfrey	Term expires 1966
Charles L. Cotton	Term expires 1967
Charles P. A. Nelson	Term expires 1968

TRUSTEE OF BOXFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY

Seth L. Kelsey

CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR

Gordon A. Russell

DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF CIVIL DEFENSE

Henry W. Nason John M. Moore

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Henry W. Nason

WIRE INSPECTOR

Herbert W. Sperry

TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE

Winthrop P. Haynes	Term expires 1964
Robert B. Parkhurst	Term expires 1965
Walter K. Morss	Term expires 1966

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Gerrit Fort, Jr. (Resigned)	Term expires 1964
John G. Bolton	Term expires 1964
DeWitt T. Minich	Term expires 1965
Thomas E. Cargill, Jr. (Resigned)	Term expires 1966
Arion C. Pierce	Term expires 1966
Allen E. Griffin	Term expires 1966
Charles Rich	Term expires 1967

TOWN COUNSEL

William J. Greenler, Jr.

APPEAL BOARD

Charles A. Kane, M.D.	Term expires 1964
John A. Chew	Term expires 1965
Paul G. Edwards	Term expires 1966

APPEAL BOARD ALTERNATE

John P. Marsh	Term expires 1964
Ronald Houldsworth	Term expires 1965

RECREATIONAL COMMITTEE

William R. Davis	Term expires 1964
Shirley MacGill	Term expires 1965
A. Gordon Price	Term expires 1965
Marion M. Colby	Term expires 1966
David G. Doughty	Term expires 1966

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Winthrop P. Haynes	Term expires 1964
Stuart K. Harris	Term expires 1965
Edward L. French	Term expires 1965
Dorothy Woodbury	Term expires 1966
Seth L. Kelsey	Term expires 1966

SPECIAL POLICE

Clinton E. French	Earle Blake
Cecil Farnsworth	James T. Stromberg
Ethel Walker	Peter L. Vrettos
Walter H. Gamans, Jr.	Harold O. Sederquest
Fred D. Newell, Jr.	Paul A. Genest
George E. Inch	

RESERVE POLICE FOR CIVIL DEFENSE

Harold R. Johnson
Horace D. Moore
Ernest M. Mortimer
Francis S. Smith

SWORN WEIGHERS
MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK
SURVEYORS OF LUMBER
FIELD DRIVERS

SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE

Frederick B. Monell, Jr.
Leroy E. Curtis, Jr.
John R. Benson
G. Dana Bill
Peter K. Race
Dudley W. Watkins, Jr.
Robert R. Crandall

BOXFORD DATA

The Town of Boxford was incorporated in 1865.

Population (1960 census), 2010.

Area in square miles, 24.39.

Boxford is in the Third Essex Senatorial District and in the Ninth Essex Representative District.

The Senator is Phillip A. Graham, 293 Bridge Street, Hamilton, Massachusetts.

The Representative is Paul G. Zollo, 13 Forest Street, Danvers, Massachusetts.

The Building Inspector is Henry W. Nason, Washington Street, West Boxford. Telephone — Haverhill, DRake 2-2320.

The Wire Inspector is Herbert W. Sperry, Main Street, West Boxford. Telephone — Haverhill, DRake 2-7649.

The Sanitary Engineer is Tracy I. Flagg, 111 Collins Street, Danvers. Telephone (evenings) — SPring 4-4979.

The Gas Inspector is Gardner W. Starrett, Middleton Road, Boxford. Telephone 887-5058.

LIST OF JURORS — 1963 - 1964

Baer, John F., machinist, Main Street, Boxford.

Brooks, Donald A., purchasing agent, Mill Road, Boxford.

Bumpus, Henry W., retired, Ipswich Road, Boxford.

Carlson, Roy C., Jr., engineer, Ipswich Road, Boxford.

Davidson, Frank C., mechanic, Cross Road, Boxford.

Emery, Arthur L., retired, Ipswich Road, West Boxford.

Gallyon, James H., retired, Ipswich Road, Boxford.

Hoogerzeil, Norman P., inspector, Depot Road, Boxford.

Killam, Charles E., construction, Ipswich Road, Boxford.

Killam, Rachael F., clerk, Middleton Road, Boxford.

Little, Ernest W., caretaker, Middleton Road, Boxford.

MacPherson, William E., nurseryman, Ipswich Road, Boxford.

Marsh, John P., lamp manufacturer, Elm Street, Boxford.

Morss, Stanwood R., fruit specialist, Lake Shore Road, West Boxford.

Pearl, Raymond, agriculturist, Main Street, West Boxford.

Pitman, Norman W., heat treater, Main Street, West Boxford.

Poirier, Marie J., housewife Topsfield Road Boxford.

Poor, Robert A., wood worker, Main Street, Boxford.

Reed, Shirley M., housewife, King William's Court, Boxford.

Robinson, Luther S., caretaker, Middleton Road, Boxford.

Shattuck, Otis E., retired, Ipswich Road, West Boxford.

Thomas, Catherine, housewife, Baldpate Road, Boxford.

Whittaker, Stuart B., engineer, Woodcrest Road, Boxford.

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, MARCH 4, 1963

The voters of Boxford held their annual town meeting at the Masconomet Regional School on March 4, 1963 at 8 P.M. with 250 in attendance. After a prayer by Rev. Donald Rosenberger, the business meeting was conducted by the moderator, William J. Greenler, Jr. The articles of the warrant were disposed of as follows:

Article 1. The reports of the town officers and committees were approved as printed in the Town Report. Dr. Stephen J. Maddock requested that the clerk's records show that the town was incorporated in 1685, rather than 1865 as appeared in the town report.

Article 2. Voted to adopt the suggested budget as printed in the town report with the following changes: Dutch Elm Disease dropped from $2500.00 to $2000.00; Snow Removal and Sanding increased from $14,000.00 to $18,000.00, and Conservation Committee allotted $1,500.00.

Article 3. Voted to appropriate $1,500.00 for the maintenance of Road Machinery, said amount to be transferred from the Road Machinery Fund.

Article 4. Voted to appropriate $10,000.00 for the Reserve Fund, said amount to be transferred from Overlay Reserve.

Article 5. Voted to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1963 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

Article 6. A bill of $58.00 for road signs presented by Dr. Stephen J. Maddock failed to win the approval of four-fifths of the vote as required for bills of charge. The Finance Board reported adversely because only two members were present, so a majority had no opportunity to act on the bill.

Article 7. Voted to pass over any action in regard to compensation for labor in the several departments.

Article 8. Voted to distribute $364.33 refunded from the County on account of dog licenses as follows: $182.17 to the East Parish Library, and $182.16 to the West Parish Library.

Article 9. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,100.00 to be divided equally between the two libraries of the Town for use toward the maintenance of said libraries.

Article 10. Voted to accept the provisions of Chapter 760 of the Acts of 1960 relative to State Aid for Public Libraries.

Article 11. Voted unanimously that the sum of $430,000.00 be hereby appropriated for the construction and original equipping and furnishing of a new elementary school on town owned land, and that to meet said appropriation, the sum of $100,000.00 be appropriated from the Stabilization Fund, the sum of $115,000.00 be raised in the current tax levy, and that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen be, and hereby is, authorized to borrow the sum of $115,000.00 under authority of Chapter 645 of the Acts of 1948, as amended, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor payable in accordance with General Laws, Chapter 44, so that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than 5 years from the date of issue of the first bond or note; and that the construction grant to be received in the year in which construction commences, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 591 of the Acts of 1959 and Chapter 377 of the Acts of 1961, shall be applied to the cost of the project.

Article 12. Voted to appropriate from Surplus Revenue the sum of $35,600.00 to meet the State and County allotments for highways, the money when reimbursed to be credited to Surplus Revenue.

Article 13. Voted to raise and appropriate $2,000.00 for a speed control and safety survey and installation of necessary traffic signs.

Article 14. Voted to enact the following by-law:

"There shall be a wire inspector to be appointed by the Selectmen for such term as they shall deem proper. He shall perform his duties under the direction of the Selectmen, as prescribed by the General Laws.

"He shall collect fees from applicants for permits in accordance with a schedule to be approved by the Selectmen, and shall be paid a salary to be determined by the Selectmen."

Article 15. Voted to terminate the borrowing authority voted at the special Town Meeting of October 26, 1960 in connection with the Cole School addition, so that no further sums may be borrowed under said vote.

Article 16. Voted to transfer the sum of $50,000.00 from available funds to the Stabilization Fund.

Article 17. Voted to raise and appropriate $3,000.00 for the purchase of a sander and a used tractor.

Article 18. Voted to appropriate the sum of $6,000.00 for use in conjunction with allotments from the State and County, for Chapter 90, highway work; said sum to be transferred from funds received from the State under Chapter 782, Acts of 1962.

Article 19. Voted to adjourn at 10:20 P.M.
A true record.

Attest:

E. LAURENCE COLBY,
Town Clerk

BUDGET ADOPTED FOR 1963

Selectmen	$1,450.00
Board of Public Welfare	300.00
Assessors	2,250.00
Treasurer	700.00
Town Clerk	600.00
Collector of Taxes	2,000.00
Town Accountant	2,700.00
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Elections	200.00
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Wire Inspector	850.00
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Community House	300.00
Recreation Committee	1,650.00
Gas Inspector	500.00
Conservation Committee	1,500.00
TOTAL BUDGET ADOPTED	$506,830.15

OTHER ITEMS

Article 9	$1,100.00
Article 11	115,000.00
Article 13	2,000.00
Article 17	3,000.00
	$121,100.00
Total to be raised and appropriated	$627,930.15

TRANSFERS

Article 3	$1,500.00
Article 4	10,000.00
Article 8	364.33
Article 11	100,000.00
Article 12	35,600.00
Article 16	50,000.00
Article 18	6,000.00
Total Transfers	$203,464.33

E. LAURENCE COLBY,
Town Clerk

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, JUNE 19, 1963

The voters of Boxford met at the Masconomet Regional School on June 19, 1963 with William J. Greenler, Jr., presiding as moderator. After a prayer by the Rev. Arthur White, action was taken as follows on the articles of the warrant:

Article 1. Voted to pass over.

Article 2. Voted to approve the $1,375,000.00 indebtedness authorized by the Regional District School Committee of the Masconomet Regional District on May 21, 1963, for constructing, originally equipping, and furnishing an addition to the Masconomet Regional Junior-Senior High School, 199 Yes, 22 No.

Article 3. Voted to pass over.

Article 4. Voted unanimously to have the Selectmen appoint a three member committee to investigate the possibilities of a mosquito control project.

Article 5. Voted to change the name of Carol Rd. to Cedar Street.

Article 6. Voted to authorize the Selectmen to sell the two used crawler tractors and the spare parts for the same.

Article 7. Voted to transfer $122.05 from the Town Report Account to the Planning Board.

Article 8. Voted to accept the following as public roads: Fish Brook Road, Road to Boy Scout Park, Anderson Drive, Cole Drive, Glen Forest Drive, Cedar Knoll, and the extension of Cedar Street.

Article 9. Voted to adjourn at 10:00 P.M.

A True Record:

Attest:

E. LAURENCE COLBY
Town Clerk

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, NOVEMBER 22, 1963

The voters of the Town of Boxford met at the Harry Lee Cole School at 8 P.M. on November 22, 1963, the day of President Kennedy's assassination. William J. Greenler, Jr. the moderator, addressed the meeting as follows:
"My fellow citizens:

"All Americans carry heavy hearts this evening, stunned and saddened by the frightful tragedy which has occurred earlier today.

"Some 20 years ago, Almighty God saw fit to spare John Kennedy from a hero's death in the Pacific, that he might later become the President of the United States, probably the most powerful and at the same time the most heavily burdened office in the world. Today he has been snatched from us by an assassin's bullet.

"We cannot understand the ways of Divine Providence, nor can we at once comprehend the enormity of this shocking crime. Yet all Americans, whatever their race, creed, color, religion, or political beliefs, must tonight bow their heads in prayerful sorrow, and beg God's merciful judgment for our departed President, as we also ask his blessing upon President Johnson and upon our country in this tragic hour."

Harry L. Cole, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, took the floor and spoke as follows:

"Mr. Moderator:

"As you have said, today a tragedy has shocked the entire world. People of all faiths, of all politics, yes, of all countries, are saddened by the untimely death of a young and vigorous leader in the prime of his life and at the peak of his career.

"No one yet knows the effect this catastrophe will have upon the future of our country and of the world.

"We can only ask God's help for our new President and for our nation in this time of sorrow and travail.

"I move that a fitting record of these proceedings be made in the records of the town."

Rev. Arthur White of the First Congregational Church concluded the memorial exercises with this prayer.

"O Lord, Our God, we meet this night with heavy heart to do our community duties. The President of our land lies dead at the hand of hate. There is much sorrow in our hearts, Our Father, that men could so despise thy ways as to assassinate our President. Thy hand of judgment rests heavily on thy people in this hour. Thou who hast sent love to us through thy son must now weep that hate has corroded the hearts of our countrymen. We, thy people, to whom thou hast granted many blessings have grown careless of late years. We have accepted thy bounty and grace as our due rather than as responsibility. O thou who hast searched us and known our ways, who knowest when we sit down and rise up, who discernest our thoughts from afar, free our hearts from carelessness toward life, clear our minds of selfish thoughts. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life to the glory of thy holy name. Amen."

The articles of the warrant were disposed of as follows:

Article 1. Voted to pass over.

Article 2. Voted to appropriate the sum of $780.04; said sum to be transferred from funds received from the State under Chapter 782 of the Acts of 1962 and used for the improvement of Bare Hill Road.

Article 3. Voted to accept as public ways, Harris Street, to be known as Harris Road, and Roberts Road, as shown on the Homecrest Development Plan.

Article 4. Voted to accept as a public way, Wood Hill Lane off Ipswich Road in West Boxford.

Article 5. Voted to make the following transfers of funds:

$1,080.00 from Aid to Dependent Children to Board of Health.
2,000.00 from Old Age Assistance to Snow Removal.
725.00 from Disability Assistance to Insurance.
400.00 from Public Welfare to Police.
400.00 from Veteran's Benefits to Selectmen's High-Fund.
233.94 from Interest on Loans to Selectmen's Contingent Fund.
100.00 from Interest on Loans to Civil Defense.
75.00 from Interest on Loans to Sick Benefit.

Article 6. Voted to accept the provisions of Chapter 478 of the Acts of 1963, an Act increasing the amounts of pensions and retirement allowances payable to certain former public employees.

Article 7. Voted to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 P.M.

A True Record:

Attest:

E. LAURENCE COLBY
Town Clerk

BIRTHS RECORDED IN 1963 IN BOXFORD

Date	Name	Parents
1960		
Feb. 29	Rebecca Ann Hebb	Horace Hebb Elizabeth Marshall

1962

Dec. 17	Patricia Laurie Faulkner	Leroy M. Faulkner Ruth I. Parr
Nov. 20	Darlene A. DeWolfe	Clyde A. DeWolfe Janus Waring

1963

Jan. 21	Elizabeth Knight Sowers	Von Allen Sowers Jane K. Atwood
Feb. 21	Mark Joseph O'Brien	Paul J. O'Brien Miriam H. Flanagan
Feb. 26	Martha Anne Stoddard	John L. Stoddard Phyllis A. Burns
Mar. 2	Cynthia Jane Connor	Richard J. Connor Dona Ethelyn Nelson
Mar. 27	James Marshall Rae, Jr.	James Marshall Rae Jane C. Clark
Apr. 1	Diane Jean Bedrosian	Peter Bedrosian Jean Baghdadlian
Apr. 8	John Edward Harris Bugbee	Bruce Bugbee Anne G. Harriss
Apr. 8	Stephen Wetmore Buell	Robert C. Buell Evelyn Jean Wetmore
Apr. 9	Mary Cowan Lane	David S. Lane Jean E. Farber
Apr. 25	Andrew Stuart Winde	Lawrence Frederick Winde Jane Ann Hollis
Apr. 26	Roberta Marie Murphy	Martin Herbert Murphy Kathleen Marie Dulligan
Apr. 28	Jennifer Hamilton Wood	Albert Douglas Wood Charlotte Duncan Brainard
May 2	Patricia Newell	Fred D. Newell Eleanor Holody
May 23	Jonathan Edward Sirois	Richard Albert Sirois Julie Pearl Johnson
June 14	Karen Elizabeth Frost	Everett Holt Frost Diane Dallon

June 16	Evelyn McCarthy	Cornelius J. McCarthy Alice Murphy
July 1	Paul Martin Rodell	Herbert M. Rodell Olive June Belfry
July 2	Lindsey Stone Humphrey	Robert S. Humphrey Judith T. Poole
July 2	Leslie Mabel Desrosiers	Robert T. Desrosiers Evelyn M. Fraser
July 11	Verna Jean Pageau	Joseph A. Pageau Alverna M. Zukas
July 19	Philip Connell Bernert	Robert E. Bernert Mary J. O'Connell
Aug. 18	David Pierce Matsubara	Ramon Sada Matsubara Mary Jane Fuller
Aug. 20	Paula Maria Procetto	Simon Joseph Procetto Mary Newton
Aug. 29	Jocelyn Melzar	Frederic Preston Melzar Jean Jolly
Aug. 29	Jonathan Preston Melzar	Frederic Preston Melzar Jean Jolly
Sept. 3	David Wayne King	Robert Maurice King Sallyann Sheppard
Sept. 20	Warren Edward Gould	George Arthur Gould, Jr. Ione Maybelle McGray
Sept. 24	Andrew Foster Brockelman	Webster B. Brockelman Marcia Damon
Sept. 28	Myles Gerard Sennott	Henry P. Sennott, Sr. Marilyn F. Howlett
Oct. 7	Susan Rebecca Perry	Lindsey Richard Perry Barbara L. Coffin
Oct. 9	Michele Belanger	Richard Louis Belanger Marilyn A. Chouinard
Oct. 9	Thomas Eric Bergstrom	Eric Putnam Bergstrom Judith Lee Foulds
Oct. 10	John Wendall Pratt, III	John W. Pratt, Jr. Joanne E. Perkins

Oct. 15 —	Claudette Ann Raymond	John Morton Raymond Annette L. Palardy
Oct. 25 —	Carlton Shepard Jones	Hosmer C. Jones Dorothy Y. Shepard
Nov. 20 —	Andrew William Lehmann	Frederick G. Lehmann Betty Ann Ferguson

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN 1963 IN BOXFORD

Date	Names	Residence
Apr. 27 —	Lloyd Hollis Getchell, Jr.	Middleton
	Sandra Elizabeth Wood	Boxford
Apr. 29 —	Wallace F. Snell, Jr.	Lynn
	Gaye S. Forrester	Boxford
May 5 —	Roger C. Chadwick	Boxford
	Lois S. Cascone	Haverhill
May 18 —	Kimball S. Harris	Boxford
	Priscilla E. Philbrook	Essex
June 8 —	John David Prince	Boxford
	Nancy Leona Hopkins	Peabody
June 16 —	Richard E. Lancaster	Haverhill
	Sylvia A. Herman	Boxford
July 14 —	George Frederick Hopping	Boxford
	Donna Marie Sullivan	No. Andover
July 20 —	Leonard Alfred Despres, Jr.	Boxford
	Marie Corinne Cormier	Stow
July 27 —	David E. Trask	Boxford
	Virginia R. Durkee	Boxford
Sept. 7 —	Charles E. Brooks	Quonset Pt., R.I.
	Pamela E. Green	Boxford
Sept. 14 —	Charles Henry Lane	London, England
	Keyo Tetsuka Ford	Boxford
Sept. 28 —	Bruce E. Inch	Boxford
	Edith M. Greeley (Leavitt)	Augusta, Me.

Oct.	17 —	Carl D. Betts	Wakefield
		Florence M. (MacInnis) Gillis	Boxford
Dec.	1 —	Thomas Frank Pierce	Boxford
		Joan Ann Gorman	Roslindale
Dec.	13 —	Robert William McManus	Topsfield
		Faith Ann Bowler	Boxford

DEATHS RECORDED IN 1963 IN BOXFORD

Date		Name	Age		
1962					
Nov.	19 —	Marion C. Graves	77	3	17
Dec.	9 —	George F. Gemmell	56	8	23
1963					
Jan.	2 —	Edward Kendall Mortimer	79	8	1
Jan.	9 —	Robert Bent	78	4	3
Jan.	10 —	Harold K. Richardson	57	4	19
Mar.	9 —	Lola M. (Edmunds) Blakely	82	6	9
Mar.	29 —	Stella Knights	72	3	—
Apr.	15 —	James P. Gray	44	9	3
May	1 —	Alice E. Preston	54	4	17
June	4 —	Fay Miller Weatherbee	70	1	29
July	1 —	Frances C. Donovan (Dearden)	65	—	—
July	3 —	John Robert Sweeney	24	6	5
July	18 —	George Edwin Inch, Sr.	76	9	23
July	22 —	Ellanette Power	92	7	22
Aug.	16 —	Beulah W. Breed	80	10	26
Aug.	20 —	Bessie A. Chadwick	89	1	19
Aug.	31 —	Alberta Guilford	79	11	22
Sept.	17 —	Dorothy H. Monette	63	—	24
Sept.	30 —	Alden K. Coggins	73	11	3
Oct.	29 —	Charles Melvin Rollins	86	9	—

FISH AND GAME LICENSES ISSUED IN 1963

141	Citizen Fishing Licenses @ $4.25	$599.25
65	Citizen Hunting Licenses @ $4.25	276.25
18	Citizen Sporting Licenses @ $7.25	130.50
28	Minor Fishing Licenses @ $2.25	63.00
10	Female Fishing Licenses @ $3.25	32.50
2	Non-Resident Fishing Licenses @ $4.25	8.50
2	Non-Resident Fishing Licenses @ $8.75	17.50
1	Duplicate @ .50	.50
1	Resident (over 70)	—
	Total Receipts	$1,128.00
	Fees Retained by Town Clerk	66.50
	Funds Remitted to Div. of Fish & Game	$1,061.50

DOG LICENSES ISSUED IN 1963

142	Males @ $2.00	$284.00
24	Females @ $5.00	120.00
85	Spayed Females @ $2.00	170.00
6	Kennels @ $10.00	60.00
3	Kennels @ $25.00	75.00
1	Transfer @ .25	.25
	Total Receipts	$709.25
	Fees Retained by Town Clerk	65.25
	Amount Remitted to Town Treasurer	$644.00

REPORT OF BOARD OF ASSESSORS

No. of Persons Assessed	Indiv.	Others	Total
On Personal Estate Only	10	3	13
On Real Estate Only	741	19	760
On Both Personal and Real Estate	152	3	155
Total Number of Persons Assessed			928
Number of Polls Assessed			669

Value of Assessed Personal Estate:		
Stock in Trade	$5,700.00	
Machinery	2,470.00	
Live Stock	5,655.00	
All Other Tangible Personal Property	458,025.00	
Total Value of Assessed Personal Property		$471,850.00
Value of Assessed Reeal Estate:		
Land Exclusive of Buildings	$648,584.00	
Buildings Exclusive of Land	3,815,315.00	
Total Value of Assessed Real Estate		$4,463,899.00
Total Valuation of Assessed Estate		$4,935,749.00
Tax Rate per $1,000 = $101.00		
Taxes for State, County and Town Purposes, including Overlay:		
On Personal Estate	$47,656.92	
On Real Estate	450,854.19	
On Polls	1,338.00	
Total Taxes Assessed		$499,849.11

Number of Live Stock Assessed:	
Horses (1 year old or over)	46
Neat Cattle (1 year old or over) Cows (Milch)	93

Yearlings: steers and heifers	18	
Swine (6 months old or over)	404	
Sheep (6 months old or over)	64	
Fowl	3,737	
All Other: Mink—100 Goat—1		
Number of Acres of Land Assessed	14,189	
Number of Dwelling Houses Assessed	733	
Commissioner's Value of Motor Vehicles		$1,195,780.00
Tax on Motor Vehicles Assessed		66,898.78
Number of Motor Vehicles Assessed		1,564

Motor Vehicle Excise Rate = $66.00

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY E. TRASK

J. WARREN CHADWICK

HARRY L. COLE

Board of Assessors

REPORT OF THE COLLECTOR OF TAXES

TAXES — 1959

Uncollected Jan. 1, 1963	$4.38	
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1963		$4.38
	$4.38	$4.38

TAXES — 1960

Uncollected Jan. 1, 1963	$176.91	
Abatements:		
Motor Vehicle Excise		$52.74
Audit Adjustment		113.83
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1963		10.34
	$176.91	$176.91

TAXES — 1961

Uncollected Jan. 1, 1963	$2,012.63	
Interest Collected	37.52	
Audit Adjustment	226.83	
Taxes Collected:		
Real Estate		$867.80
Classified Forest Land		22.56
Motor Vehicle Excise		19.80
Interest		37.52
Abatements:		
Motor Vehicle Excise		1,095.48
Audit Adjustments		211.73
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1963		22.09
	$2,276.98	$2,276.98

TAXES — 1962

Uncollected Jan. 1, 1963	$43,529.88	
Motor Vehicle Excise Comm.	499.63	
Motor Vehicle Excise Refunds	1,441.24	
Interest Collected	552.57	
Audit Adjustments	117.80	
Taxes Collected:		
Poll		$24.00
Real Estate		27,750.20
Personal Property		1,105.96
Classified Forest Land		24.24
Farm Animal Excise		36.26
Motor Vehicle Excise		10,674.54
Interest		552.57

TAXES — 1962

Abatements:	
Poll	$4.00
Motor Vehicle Excise	2,423.59

Transferred to Tax Title		5.05
Audit Adjustments		51.38
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1963		3,489.33
	$46,141.12	$46,141.12

TAXES — 1963

Poll Tax Commitments	$1,338.00	
Real Estate Commitments	452,008.12	
Personal Property Commitment	47,656.92	
Classified Forest Land Comm.	62.63	
Farm Animal Excise Commitment	164.31	
Motor Vehicle Excise Commitments	66,898.78	
Real Estate Refunds	404.00	
Motor Vehicle Excise Refunds	1,423.71	
Interest Collected	48.38	
Taxes Collected:		
Poll		$1,134.00
Real Estate		413,707.20
Personal Property		45,977.78
Classified Forest Land		38.39
Farm Animal Excise		109.81
Motor Vehicle Excise		46,175.70
Interest		48.38
Abatements:		
Poll		116.00
Real Estate		8,183.70
Personal Property		50.50
Motor Vehicle Excise		4,626.11
Transferred to Tax Title		5.05
Audit Adjustment		2.00
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1963		49,830.23
	$570,004.85	$570,004.85

RECAPITULATION

Total Receipts from Taxes:	
Real Estate	$442,325.20
Personal Property	47,083.74
Poll	1,158.00
Classified Forest Land	85.19
Farm Animal Excise	146.07
Motor Vehicle Excise	56,870.04
Interest	638.47
	$548,306.71

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK A. SMALLMAN,
Collector

BOXFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY

East Parish

OFFICERS AND TRUSTEES

Winthrop P. Haynes, President
Milton E. Lord, Vice-President
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Margaret Lane, Secretary

Thomas E. Cargill, Jr.
Louise C. Watkins
Seth L. Kelsey
Arthur F. White

LIBRARIANS

Bertha Perley
Lucy K. Parkhurst

LIBRARY HOURS

Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday, 2:30 - 5:30 P.M.

We are happy to report that again the demands made on our library facilities continued to increase during the year.

The total circulation of books and periodicals was 10,669. Of this number, 5,668 were adult books, 3,983 were juvenile books and 1,018 were periodicals. Many of the books circulated were made available to us through the bookmobile service from the state regional center in North Reading. The library purchased 204 new books this year and received 35 books as gifts.

The children in the sixth grade again took part in the State Reading Certificate Program. The continued interest and success in the program is largely due to the cooperation of the teachers for they encourage the children to both read the books and to make out their book reports.

Legacies received by the library this year were $70.00 from Meyer L. Schoenthal and $1,000 added to the Mary A. Herrick Fund as requested in the will of Maud Norris. Bequests to the library, whether for books or general use, are fitting memorials which give both knowledge and pleasure. Such memorials are greatly appreciated by the trustees of the library and especially by the residents of Boxford.

Through the energetic efforts of Mrs. John Adams and Mrs. Carlyle Thomas and with assistance from many FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY of all ages, many used book sales were conducted on the lawn and in the library barn. The proceeds of these sales were used to finance the interior downstairs painting of the library. The painting is complete, the new draperies have been hung and to all who enter the library, it is obviously a beautifying job well done.

Trustee Margaret Lane is in Turkey for two years. Prior to her departure, her resignation as trustee was refused by the board and with many well wishes for the success of her mission the board voted that she continue as trustee in absentia.

The Librarians and Trustees wish to thank all who have in any way contributed to our library.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUISE C. WATKINS,
Acting Secretary, Board of Trustees

CATHERINE INGALLS MEMORIAL LIBRARY

West Boxford, Massachusetts

Officers and Trustees of West Parish

Mrs. Alexander Price, President and Trustee
Mr. A. Gordon Price, Vice-President
Mr. Milton Prevost, Treasurer
Miss Ruby Nason, Secretary
Mr. Rolf Peterson, Trustee Mr. John Eichorn, Jr., Trustee
Mrs. Margaret Loughnane, Librarian

LIBRARY HOURS

Monday	7 P.M. — 9 P.M.
Wednesday	3 P.M. — 5 P.M.
	7 P.M. — 9 P.M.
Saturday	3 P.M. — 5 P.M.

1963 was a progressive year for the West Boxford Library as indicated by the circulation which was nearly doubled over that of the previous year. 2,002 books of adult fiction were checked out; 1,541 adult non-fiction; 270 paperback books; 673 magazines; 2,176 junior fiction and 507 junior non-fiction books were withdrawn, bringing the total circulation to 7,169.

Twenty-seven new library cards were issued in 1963. Twenty-five reading certificates were awarded the West Boxford 6th graders at Cole School. One hundred and four books have been added to our shelves. 60 were non-fiction, 36 were fiction and 8 were juvenile. 42 of these books were purchased by the library and 62 books were gifts. Our paperback collection has been substantially increased by friends of the library and it is enjoying wider and wider circulation.

Third grade pupils and their teacher, Mrs. Trahan, from nearby Morse School have made periodic get-acquainted visits to the library and both Morse School and Cole School have borrowed a substantial nember of books for student use.

The State Bookmobile continues to serve us faithfully. Between 75 and 100 books from it augment our shelves each month and any request for special material by us is given prompt and efficient service.

In an effort to accommodate borrowers, the library hours were changed in October. Although there is no increase in the number of hours, our doors are now opened on three days a week thus enabling local students to have access to the library on two different school nights.

The library maintains fifteen subscriptions to popular magazines and generous friends supplement this number with various other publications each month.

Our card file is presently up-to-date through the tireless efforts of Mrs. Ruby Benson.

Mrs. Richard Spofford's resignation as treasurer was regretfully accepted in December. The Library Board expresses their most sincere thanks to both Mr. and Mrs. Spofford for their long and faithful service to the library and the Board also welcomes Mr. Milton Prevost as the new treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGARET LOUGHNANE,
Librarian

REPORT OF THE DOG OFFICER

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Boxford

There have been many calls by dog owners reporting their animals as missing. It seems that if the owners of female dogs would keep them carefully locked up at home, or send them to a kennel during periods of heat (oestrus), it would insure the safety of the dog in question or those attached to her. Allowing bitches in this condition to run, creates a hazard both

for the dog or dogs as well as for pedestrians and motorists. It is urged that residents of Boxford cooperate to minimize this danger.

Nuisance complaints concerning stray dogs and cats have been taken care of, and where disposal has been indicated, this has been done.

All money collected has been turned over to the Town Clerk. As usual, there are a few uncollected licenses.

Respectfully submitted,

GRACE L. GRAY,
Dog Officer

REPORT OF THE GAS INSPECTOR

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Boxford
Report for the year 1963

36 Permits issued under Article 4, Section 1
5 Permits issued under Article 4, Section 2 & 3
4 Re-inspections under Article 4, Section 4

Respectfully submitted,

GARDNER W. STARRETT,
Gas Inspector

REPORT OF THE INSPECTORS OF SLAUGHTERING FOR THE YEAR 1963

EXAMINED			CONDEMNED		
Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Cattle	Calves	Sheep
262	740	168	13	15	9

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. FOSTER
SAMUEL E. LAWES
THOMAS H. BONVIE
Inspectors of Slaughtering

REPORT OF THE BUILDING INSPECTOR

New Homes	46	Value	$921,100.00
Additions	13	Value	40,000.00
Garages and Miscellaneous Additions	11	Value	15,450.00
Masconomet Addition		Value	1,400,000.00
Elementary School		Value	386,000.00

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY W. NASON,
Building Inspector

REPORT OF THE WIRE INSPECTOR

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Boxford
Report for the year 1963

Permits	157
Inspections	301
Receipts—Electrical Permits May 1 - Dec. 31	$1,171.00

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT W. SPERRY,
Wire Inspector

REPORT OF MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

The spraying for Dutch Elm was carried out in both ends of town this year. There will be some changes in spraying this year due to regulations governing spray materials.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT HEBB,
Moth Superintendent

REPORT OF TREE DEPARTMENT

We have done a lot of topping and clearing at both ends of town. It was also necessary to remove a large number of big trees.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT HEBB,
Tree Warden

REPORT OF DUTCH ELM DEPARTMENT

The affected trees were topped and removed. The State crew came in for ten days and most of the diseased trees were removed.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT HEBB,
Moth Superintendent

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

Board of Selectmen of Boxford, Mass.
Gentlemen:

The work as Inspector of Animals has been done according to directions of the Division of Livestock Disease Control for the year of 1963.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM J. GREENLER, D.V.M.,
Inspector of Animals

REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

During the past year the Conservation Commission has supervised the operations of the Georgetown Sand and Gravel Company at the West Boxford gravel pit and has recommended the renewal of the operational permit to the Board of Appeals.

At the request of the Board of Appeals, the Commission met with representatives of the Boxford Realty Company, Inc. at the site of the proposed land improvement project in West Boxford; and in a report to the Board of Appeals, made several recommendations relative to the supervision of this operation.

At the request of the Board of Selectmen, the Conservation Commission made the following recommendation: That aerial spraying within the town limits be prohibited except for and under the direction of the town government.

The Conservation Commission met with the Board of Health and the Road Committee for an inspection of a proposed subdivision site currently before the Planning Board.

With the appropriations of the past two years, it is felt by the members of the Commission that sufficient funds are on hand for any possible land acquisitions, and there is no request made in this year's budget.

The Conservation Commission respectfully reminds the citizens of the Town that they are authorized to accept and administer land given to the Town for Conservation Areas. Part of the Commission's duties are to locate and acquire, if possible, any marshlands and swampy areas bordering streams and ponds. The Commission would welcome the gift of any such areas.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD L. FRENCH, Chairman
WINTHROP P. HAYNES
SETH L. KELSEY
STUART K. HARRIS
DOROTHY L. WOODBURY
Conservation Commission

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

January 6, 1964

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Boxford
Boxford, Massachusetts
Gentlemen:

The following is a report of the Police department and their activities for the year 1963.

Classified complaints:

Resuscitator	5
Summons	87
Ambulance	46
Court Appearances	20
Fires	30
House Breaks	8
Motor Vehicle Accidents	41
Arrests	16
Disturbing the peace	10
Complaints Various	71
Prowlers	9
Stolen cars recovered	6
Pistol Permits	7
Police Service	39
Dog Complaints	31
Malicious destruction of Property	20
Larceny	14
Missing Person	6
Camp Breaks	5
Assault and Battery	2
Lord's Day Permits	2
Hunting Complaints	2

This year the demands on our department have increased tremendously. I sincerely believe the Town should next year consider one full-time officer for day duty.

A new stretcher was purchased and installed in the cruiser.

Our regular camp inspections have been maintained as well as checks on empty houses and homes when we are so notified.

The speed zone survey has been completed by the Selectmen and we are looking forward to proper, enforceable, regulatory signs being installed in the spring.

My sincere thanks to the Board of Selectmen, the Fire Department and all other Town agencies for their help and cooperation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

NATHANIEL N. LOVE, JR.,
Chief of Police

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

Throughout 1963 residential growth in Boxford was confined completely to scattered lot building.

Only one tract was processed for subdivision by the Board and it was rejected. Ten lots were created which did not require approval by the Board.

The new zoning was approved by the Attorney General on February 26, 1963.

During the course of 10 meetings, creation of historic districts through the state enabling legislation became a prime objective as a means of preserving the village character. The Board urges adoption of an article in the warrant relating to the historic district commission.

Mosquito control was discussed and members agreed the most effective control lay in a countywide, joint effort of towns under expert supervision.

Except for several instances of developers building low cost houses close to homes of substantially higher value, and to the consternation of owners who complained to the Board, Boxford continues to be a rare, semi-rural town of great charm, thanks to the cooperation the Board has received from residents.

The Board does not minimize the growth problem resulting from a tax base supported wholly by housing, but compared with many nearby communities, we are far ahead in long-range planning and preservation of property values.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES L. COTTON, Chairman

CHARLES P. A. NELSON, Vice-Chairman

WARREN R. GODFREY, Clerk

WILLIAM E. DORMAN

J. WARREN CHADWICK

SIMEON S. PEARL

E. LAURENCE COLBY

Planning Board

REPORT OF NORTH ANDOVER-BOXFORD DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' SERVICES

The following services were performed by this Department during 1963:

Discharge (certified copy)	11
Discharge (recorded)	8
Photostats	275
Aid and Attendance Allowance	4
Loan Guaranty	9

Taxes	32
Annual Income Report	58
Compensation	14
Pension	27
Burial Allowance	24
Headstone	12
Medical and Dental	45
Hospitalization	15
Out-Patient Treatment	8
Insurance	14
Power of Attorney	44
Miscellaneous	88

Respectfully submitted,

BERNARD W. BINGHAM,
District Director

REPORT OF NORTH ANDOVER-BOXFORD DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' SERVICE

		N. Andover	Boxford	Total
Balance Carried over from 1962		$35.19	$7.58	$42.77
Appropriated in 1963, Section 11 Chapter 599, Acts of 1946 Raised by Assessors in 1963		1,105.00	155.00	1,260.00
		$1,140.19	$162.58	$1,302.77
Expended to Dec. 31, 1963	(A)	1,112.39	156.16	1,268.55
Balance, Dec. 31,1963		$27.80	$6.42	$34.22

(A) Basis for apportionment Chapter 599, Acts of 1945 An act establishing the basis for apportionment of State and County Taxes.

North Andover	$9,386,690.00	Per cent	.8769
Boxford	1,317,200.00	Per cent	.1231

JAMES J. MAKER,
District Department of Veterans' Service

REPORT OF NORTH ANDOVER AND BOXFORD DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' SERVICE

Bernard W. Bingham (Salary)	$1,200.00
New England Tel. & Tel. Co. (Services)	57.05
Veterans Information Service (Frank Ostlin, Director)	9.00
Thomas J. McGrail, Jr. (District Treasurers Bond)	2.50
Total	$1,268.55

Respectfully submitted,

BERNARD W. BINGHAM,
Agent

REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Boxford
Boxford, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

The Fire Department respectfully submits the following report for 1963:

Total runs made — 123.

Forest Warden

Woods	28
Grass	11
Dump	9
False Alarms	5

Fire Warden

Houses	5
Car Accidents	4
Ovens	2
Cars	3
Smoke Investigation	3
Dryer (Gas)	1
Gas Stove Explosion	1
Regional School	2
Ambulance Runs	6

West Boxford assisted East Boxford at 12 fires.

West Boxford stood by at East Boxford station at 15 fires.

East Boxford assisted West Boxford at 8 fires.

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On April 13 at a woods fire near Stiles Pond the Chevrolet tank truck broke down beyond repair. Acting on emergency terms a 1963 International Cab and Chassis was purchased from Georgetown Motor Truck owned by Melvin Smallwood of Georgetown Road. He had the tank mounted on chassis and back in operation within 24 hours.

In April I was appointed Fire Chief by the Selectmen due to the resignation of Archer French.

This past year eleven men from the department attended a Fire Drill school at Fitzwilliam, Mass. All received diplomas.

All open fires except incinerators require by **law** a **written permit.** This is to let the Fire Department know where and when you are burning. If a permit were not issued, and a fire was reported to the department, equipment would be sent unnecessarily. To obtain a permit, call Chief Richard Cunningham, 352-8529 or Assistant Chief Harold Johnson, 887-5632. **Please do not call on red line.** I want to thank the majority of the Town for obeying this law.

TO REPORT A FIRE:

EAST BOXFORD 887-2727
WEST BOXFORD 372-7331

PLEASE STATE KIND OF FIRE. BE SURE YOU GIVE YOUR NAME, STREET AND LOCATION, AND LET FIRE DEPARTMENT HANG UP FIRST.

In closing I wish to thank each one of my men who have done such excellent work, Chief Nathaniel Love, Jr., and all his men of the Police Department, and the extra men who volunteered to fight fire during the extreme dry spells we had.

Respectfully submitted,

C. RICHARD CUNNINGHAM,
Chief of Fire Department

REPORT OF THE TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE

The routine work of keeping the woods roads cleared so that fire trucks could get through in the event of forest fires was continued this year with the $100.00 appropriated for this purpose in 1963.

Respectfully submitted,

WINTHROP P. HAYNES
ROBERT B. PARKHURST
WALTER K. MORSS
Town Forest Committee

REPORT OF RECREATION COMMITTEE FOR 1963

The Recreation Committee holds regular meetings the third Tuesday of each month at the Town Hall. Interested citizens are welcome and urged to attend these meetings.

During the year 1963, the following projects were undertaken by the committee: a basketball court with black top surface was installed in the rear of the Gardner Morse School; a new skating rink was dug out in the Boy Scout Park; the baseball field at the Gardner Morse School, used by both Little League and soft ball players, was improved; a warming shed was placed at the skating areas in the Boy Scout Park; and the Committee initiated a steering committee from all the town organizations to conduct a Fourth of July celebration.

Plans are in progress for the construction of a ball field at the Spofford Pond School, and the committee hopes by next winter to have a watering system at the skating rinks so that they may be resurfaced when necessary.

Much discussion in the committee has centered on clearing the ice on Fowler's Pond in West Boxford, but no solution to this problem has appeared. Any suggestions from those using this pond for skating would be very welcome. Experience has proved that plows must be hired to clear the ice at the Boy Scout Park in order to realize the greatest benefit from it. Volunteer labor has been very generous until now, but it is not always available when needed.

It is the plan of the committee in the coming year to initiate with other town committees a layout for future use of town owned land in accord with the master plan as much as possible. In this way, duplication and wasteful changes could be avoided.

The committee wishes to thank all those volunteers who helped with the recreation projects throughout the year.

SHIRLEY MacGILL, Chairman

MARION M. COLBY, Secretary

WILLIAM DAVIS

DAVID DOUGHTY

A. GORDON PRICE

REPORT OF THE CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR

Gentlemen:

With the survey completed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, it was found that all existing public buildings in Boxford did not qualify for the minimum protection factor for Radioactive fallout.

It is therefore recommended that when Federal funds are available, shelter construction be considered to existing school buildings or to any new public construction. This shelter area should be used as a multi-purpose room as this would best utilize it's full potential.

The cooperation of all town departments is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully,

GORDON A. RUSSELL,
Director

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

In our report of 1962 we mentioned the importance of reporting communicable diseases to the Board of Health. We had hoped to get a better response in 1963 than the following results show. May we again urge you to report promptly any of these diseases:

Diseases	No. of Cases
Measles	3
Mumps	8
Chicken Pox	7
Salmonellosis	1
Ophthalmia	0
Dog Bite	2
Whooping Cough	4

The members of this Board are concerned about the problem of reporting cases of illness, particularly in children. It can be noted in the table above that the number of cases of children's diseases is remarkably small compared with previous reports when our juvenile population was so much smaller. It is hard to believe that it represents correct statistical data.

As a part of this problem we have learned indirectly that the parents of some children showing a rash have not consulted a physician. In some instances, the physician was said to be willing to make the diagnosis over the telephone. It is very important that a correct diagnosis be made.

The City of New York sends a qualified expert to see every case reported as Chicken Pox in order to be assured that it is not Smallpox. The State Board of Health scrutinizes all reports throughout the State daily in an effort to pinpoint small epidemics which might spread without sufficient publicity, and we are a bit worried that they may request some clarification about our statistics.

Because of the fact that air transportation is so rapid that a person may arrive in this country from any part of the globe in 24 hours or less, an eternal vigilance must be maintained to detect people carrying serious and epidemic diseases from areas in which they are common. In the days when travel was by the sea, there was often ample time for the incubation of such ills on shipboard. The quarantine maintained at our seaports was very alert about holding people with suspicious symptoms. At the present there is no medical inspection at airports and the Boards of Health throughout the country are rightly worried because of this. This is one of the reasons for our urging Smallpox vaccination in Boxford. Therefore, sometime during the latter part of 1964 we hope to hold a Smallpox clinic so that the residents of the town may take advantage of this opportunity to safeguard their health.

Licenses were granted during the year as follows:

Recreational Camps	7
Slaughter	1

Milk Dealers	11
Milk Producers	1
Manufacture of Ice Cream	1
Oleo	1

The Jamaican laborers who were employed in the town in 1962 were here again this year and have been properly inspected regarding health and living quarters.

The same arrangement as last year has continued with Mr. Charles Killam relative to bulldozing the dump.

Rabies clinic for dogs which has been held for several years was held again this year with continued success.

During the year we have continued the activity relative to Salk and Sabin vaccine with the administration of Types I and III Sabin and the addition of Type II Sabin which had not previously been given. Response to our clinic was very satisfactory as shown by the following figures:

Sabin Vaccine — Type 1	567
Sabin Vaccine — Type II	840
Sabin Vaccine — Type III	560

Our town was deeply saddened by the death of Mr. James P. Gray on April 15, 1963. Mr. Gray became custodian of the Town Dump on August 1, 1960 and served faithfully and well. He was an extremely friendly and kindly man, always helpful to the women of the town and courteous to everyone. The members of this Board made an arrangement with him for a weekly stipend plus the exclusive privilege of salvage. In that way his services did not cost the Town nearly as much as if he had been paid on the town's hourly wage schedule.

We were also fortunate in having his devoted wife, Grace Link Gray, who helped him in the matter of salvage with great enthusiasm, particularly over week-ends when the dump was used most heavily. Mrs. Gray was always careful to investigate cast-off clothing and the number of quite wearable garments she retrieved was astounding. The Grays kept in close

touch with the Morgan Memorial, packaging useable clothes, especially those for children. Whenever there were enough bags to make a truckload, Morgan Memorial collected them.

Mr. Gray had a distinguished career in the Air Force of World War II, returning home with a disability contracted in the service. After a course in poultry-farming at the Essex Agricultural School, he worked for many years with the Townsend Farms and was regarded as their most reliable helper. When this was disbanded he assumed his duties as caretaker of the dump.

He was a very active member of the Boxford, Pomona, and the Past Masters Grange. He was a man, quiet, gentle and friendly, who was universally held in the highest regard. We feel that he represented a type of Boxfordian of the old ideals, a type which is all too rapidly disappearing. His death as a result of a cerebral hemorrhage was swift and merciful to him but deeply mourned because of its unexpectedness. He leaves behind him a bright memorial in the minds and hearts of his many, many friends.

The vacancy caused by the death of Mr. Gray made necessary the provision of custodial care of the dump and Mr. George Inch, Sr., was employed in this capacity until his death on July 18, 1963. Mr. Inch was very interested and efficient as custodian and we feel the loss of his services and regret his untimely death. We procured the services of Mr. Samuel Lawes as a custodian during the week and of Mr. Alerson E. Noyes for Saturdays and Sundays.

Two mental health meetings were held during the summer for the purpose of discussing including Boxford in the Salem area. No action has been taken on this matter.

The detergent problem has come to our attention on several occasions during the last years and it promises to become a matter of increasing importance. Many cities and towns are being quite troubled, particularly by the pollution of streams into which the sewerage system is emptied.

A town such as ours with its individual resident's disposal of waste can be particularly prone to such difficulties. Since detergents can seep through the soil for long distances, it would seem that the housewives might make note of the products which are recommended and those which are not.

According to "Conservation News, An Educational Service of the National Wild Life Federation," October 15, 1963, the most toxic and long-lasting component of detergents is alkyl benzene sulfonate (ABS) contained in about 75% of all detergents sold.

Citing different scientific studies of the subject and noting industry statements on future improvements, the article concludes as follows:

"Meanwhile, here are lists of cleansing products which do NOT contain ABS (and should therefore create less problems) and those which DO contain ABS (already scheduled to be outlawed in Florida's Dade County on January 1, 1965.)

Products which contain no ABS (References: Chemical Engineering News, Health Bulletin):

AD, All, Amway Products, Mr. Clean, Dial Soap, Dial Shampoo, Duz Soap, Instant Fels, Ivory Flakes, Ivory Snow, Ivory Liquid, Hanser Soap Flakes, Joy, Lux Soap Flakes, Liquid All, Lestoil, Lanosheen, Rinso Soap, Thrill, Quick Solve, Spic & Span, Vel-O-Matic, Cascade, Fels Naptha Cleanser, all Calgon products.

Products scheduled to be banned in Dade County, Florida, because of their ABS content:

Tide, Premium Duz, Fab, Oxydol, Rinso, Vim, Salvo, Cheer."

Respectfully submitted,

STEPHEN MADDOCK, M.D.
RAYMOND PERLEY
HARRY L. COLE
Board of Health

REPORT OF THE SANITARY ENGINEER

111 Collins Street
Danvers, Massachusetts
January 30, 1964

Honorable Board of Health
Town Hall
Boxford, Massachusetts
Gentlemen:

The following is a report of my activities on your behalf during the year 1963:

In the course of the past year, I completed final inspections of 51 new sewage disposal installations. Before these were finally approved, the locations of the wells in the area had to be determined; this gave reasonable assurance that all would remain free of pollution. No applications for permits to repair or alter existing systems were received.

Water samples from the public schools were obtained and found to be free of indications of contamination. Other public buildings and the recreational camps were sampled also. Their water supplies were found to be satisfactory. The quality of the swimming areas at various ponds throughout Boxford were determined to be at a high level. There was a total of 27 such samples.

In the course of the summer, I inspected all the recreational camps in Boxford. Certain of these were examined more than once in order to be sure that all requirements of The Sanitary Code were met. One new camp was licensed this year.

Inspections were also made of various other public and semi-public establishments. This included a nursing home (two inspections) and food handling premises. There were also periodic complaints of various types that required investigations.

Respectfully yours,

TRACY I. FLAGG, P.E.
Sanitary Engineer

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

General relief, the only category of aid administered by the town, cost $10.90 in 1963.

A record of the other costs of aid may be found in the Central Essex Welfare District Report.

Applications for aid in any of the categories administered by the Central Essex Welfare District may be obtained at the Town Hall in Boxford.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY L. COLE

FRANKLIN C. ROBERTS, JR.

JOHN EVANS

Board of Public Welfare

REPORT OF THE CENTRAL ESSEX WELFARE DISTRICT

Old Age Assistance		4 cases
Medical Aid for the Aged		5 cases
Aid to Families with Dependent Children		
	3 children	1 case
Disability Assistance		3 cases

The case load in Boxford has remained the same in total, but has developed a change in distribution. We now have more persons receiving aid for medical needs in Medical Aid for the Aged, and this trend is state wide. Social insurance and pension plans are increasingly covering basic living costs, however, it is the long term illness that constitutes a financial problem for those over 65 on limited income.

Medical expenses increased this year from $8,040.32 to $9,628.41. This is the first increase in medical costs in 3 years, and is primarily due to hospital and nursing home costs which constitutes 65% of the total medical program.

Legislative revision in our General Laws in 1963 eliminated the settlement in Old Age Assistance and General Relief effective January 1, 1964. Administratively this will eliminate the checking of residences for 5 years before application for aid, as a simple residence requirement of 12 months continuous residence has been substituted in Old Age Assistance and in General Relief the place of residence will be responsible for aid with 20% reimbursement from the state for aid rendered.

The future of the excellent chronic hospital facility at the Essex County Hospital remains in doubt, and the Board of Public Welfare supports the County Commissioners in their stand to have the hospital remain open for residents of Essex County.

This year Congress will again consider broadening the scope of the Social Security programs, not only recommendations for some kind of medical coverage, but increased benefits. Even if "Medicare" is enacted there will still be need for public assistance to fill in gaps for uninsured persons, long term illnesses or to supplement inadequate benefits.

Anyone having questions in regard to the eligibility requirements in any category of assistance should call the Welfare District which is located in Memorial Hall, South Main Street, Middleton. Telephone 774-1609.

The director wishes to thank all of the town officials, and the townspeople for their help and cooperation in the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

PHYLLIS R. BROWN,
Director

REPORT OF THE MORSE HOUSE COMMITTEE

Plans and arrangements for the landscaping at the site of the old Morse-Parker House have been in progress during 1963. The transportation and installation of a suitable field boulder are promised as well as a supply of loam. An estimate has been obtained for a bronze plaque which will give the names and military record of the nine Morse and Parker sons who served in the Civil War from this house. Since the cost of the plaque will exceed the sum already on hand, donated by Mr. Charles Morse, a grandson, an item to cover the additional amount has been placed in the Warrant for the Town Meeting in March, 1964.

It is expected that this work at the site will be completed by June, 1964, and the Memorial will be dedicated at a suitable occasion shortly afterward.

Respectfully submitted,

WINTHROP P. HAYNES,
Chairman

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The year just past has been a very busy one in the old Town Hall. The social activities here have been so constant that it became necessary to hire a part time custodian. Mr. George Inch, Sr., performed these duties until his death on July 18, 1963, and Mr. Thomas Bonvie is now serving as custodian. We are contributing the use of the hall several days and nights of each week and we also let it to two organizations and a dancing school. Some minor repairs, made necessary by the insurance inspector, have been satisfactorily completed in the building this year.

Facilities for a high tension electric system of 13,000 voltage were installed on several streets in Boxford village. This was done to improve the service in this area.

A new emergency number, Enterprise 5576, has been designated by the Massachusetts Electric Company for use in power failures.

In January a street light was installed at the corner of Herrick Road and Glen Forest Drive.

Early in the year a hearing was held concerning land taking on Bare Hill Road. A considerable amount of preliminary work was done on this project late in the year.

Under the provisions of a bond furnished by the contractor, Mr. Hatt, the subdivision road, Wood Hill Lane, was completed by the highway department of Boxford in a satisfactory manner and has been accepted by the town.

A further contribution of $3,200.00 from William E. Dorman et al was sufficient to complete the rebuilding and oiling of Towne Road.

Late in the year the bridge at Lockwood Lane was rebuilt.

The transaction between the town and Mr. C. D. Cahoon, concerning land adjacent to the Boy Scout Park, has been completed.

A request was made to improve the conditions of the sidewalk where it crosses the bridge on Endicott Street in Boxford. This was investigated and found to be too expensive a job to attempt at this time.

Several meetings were held with the West Boxford Improvement Society relative to the improvement of Washington Street and no agreement could be reached.

Work has been done near the driveway of Mr. Arthur A. Getz of Silverbrook Road, which we hope will correct the difficulty caused by drainage.

An area at the dump has been smoothed where sand and salt is "stock piled," a shed was constructed for the loader, and the area has been lighted.

A used tractor for $800.00 and a new automatic sander for $1,968.00 were purchased for the Highway Department. Both are now in operation.

A recompilation of the bi-laws by the League of Women Voters has been completed and an article concerning this appears in the town warrant.

On June 22, a Heritage Day was held and eleven homes were open to the public with the proceeds divided between the Garden Club and the Historical Society.

A new gasoline tank of 5,000 gallon capacity was installed at the store of Mr. Earle Blake in West Boxford.

The Community House was painted with Mrs. Charles Bedell furnishing the labor and the town furnishing the material.

The entire basement at Lincoln Hall was redecorated with the West Boxford Grange furnishing the labor and the town the material.

Some much needed repairs and improvements to the roof and other parts of the West Boxford fire house were donated by Mr. Richard G. Hopping. A new heating system has been installed here and the old system disposed of for a substantial amount.

The new fire house adjacent to the town hall has been practically completed during the year. Shrubs were planted nearby under the direction of Mr. Seth L. Kelsey of Kelsey Highlands Nursery.

Upon the resignation of Archer French as fire chief, a red network telephone was transferred to the home of George A. Gould.

The town fire department was host to the Essex County Forest Warden's Association on January 8, with an attendance of 110.

May 4 was the annual clean-up day which has been held in West Boxford for several years under the direction of the West Boxford Improvement Society.

School bus signs were erected on Killam Hill Road and "Slow Children" signs placed in many sections of the town.

On May 21, a letter regarding the future of the Essex Sanitorium was written to Governor Peabody. Additional correspondence from this office has urged the continuance of this sanitorium as a hospital providing exceptionally competent care at reasonable rates.

An invitation has been received from the Town of Rowley to participate in the celebration of the three hundred and twenty-fifth anniversary of their incorporation, which will take place in August, 1964. This town was known as Rowley Village until the year 1685, when it was set off from Rowley and incorporated as the Town of Boxford.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY L. COLE
FRANKLIN C. ROBERTS, JR.
JOHN EVANS
Board of Selectmen

REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT

RECEIPTS FOR 1963

Frederick A. Smallman, Collector

Taxes, current year:		
Real Estate	$413,707.20	
Personal Property	45,977.78	
Poll	1,134.00	
		$460,818.98

Taxes, previous years:		
Real Estate	$28,618.00	
Personal Property	1,105.96	
Poll	24.00	
		$29,747.96
Motor Vehicle Excise:		
Levy of 1961	$19.80	
Levy of 1962	10,674.54	
Levy of 1963	46,175.70	
		$56,870.04
Classified Forest Land:		
Levy of 1961	$22.56	
Levy of 1962	24.24	
Levy of 1963	38.39	
		$85.19
Farm Animal Excise:		
Levy of 1962	$36.26	
Levy of 1963	109.81	
		$146.07
Commonwealth of Massachusetts:		
For Highways:		
Chapter 81 Maintenance	$33,628.15	
Chapter 90 Construction	4,861.32	
		$38,489.47
School Aid, Chapter 69		
For Education:	$77.00	
School Superintendent	1,306.67	
U.S. Public Law No. 874	2,046.00	
National Defense Education — Title IIIA	390.32	
Chapter 70, School Aid	50,246.77	
Aid, School Construction	102,845.47	
Education and Transportation	21,545.10	
Vocational Education	28.80	
State Aid to Libraries	502.50	

Youth Service Counsellor	1,350.00	
English Speaking	3.75	
		$108,342.38
For Taxes, etc.		
Income Tax	$4,769.00	
Corporation Taxes	7,752.00	
Loss of Taxes	1,710.30	
Meal Tax, O.A.A.	424.76	
Animal Inspection	25.00	
School Lunch Program	5,731.21	
		$20,412.27
For Aid and Relief:		
Old Age Assistance	$3,167.48	
Old Age Assistance, U.S. Grant	3,808.00	
Aid to Dependent Children	1,044.23	
Aid to Dependent Children, U.S. Grant	1,025.00	
Disability Assistance	1,148.23	
Disability Assistant, U.S. Grant	1,681.50	
Medical Aid for Aged	2,381.03	
Medical Aid for Aged, U.S. Grant	3,541.54	
Veterans' Benefits	291.58	
		$18,088.59
County of Essex:		
For Highways:		
Chapter 90, Construction	$2,430.66	
Dog License Refund	364.33	
Dog Board Refund	75.00	
		$2,869.99
Trust and Investment Funds:		
Interest on School Funds:	$182.00	
J. T. Barker Fund	1,200.00	
Killam Curtis Cemetery	13.00	
Stabilization Fund	100,000.00	

Interest of Library Funds:		
East Parish	300.73	
West Parish	256.85	
		$101,952.58
Departmental Accounts:		
Old Age Assistance	$294.51	
Highway	249.50	
Appeal Board	120.00	
School	727.40	
Sealer of Weights and Measures	17.50	
		$1,408.91
Licenses and Permits:		
Dogs	$673.00	
Slaughter	425.00	
Building and Sewerage	1,787.00	
Junk	7.00	
Revolver	16.00	
Gas	324.00	
Electrical	1,069.00	
Ice Cream	5.00	
Milk	5.00	
Recreational Camp	6.50	
Lord's Day	1.00	
Oleo	.50	
Salesman	2.00	
		$4,321.00
Unclassified:		
Interest on Deposits	$1,925.22	
Premium on Bonds	71.30	
Interest on Taxes	638.47	
Insurance	72.80	
Land Rent	10.00	
School Lunch Program	15,233.42	
County Retirement	2,609.26	
Federal Withholding Deductions	26,049.26	
Rent of Town Halls	515.50	
Rent of Community House	260.00	

Departmental Refunds	15,547.75	
State Withholding Deductions	2,306.35	
Use of Telephones	25.05	
Pay Station Commission	76.04	
Court Fines	205.00	
Street Lists	14.00	
Maps	10.70	
Gravel	1,153.75	
Towne Road	3,200.00	
Wood Hill Lane	1,704.31	
Bid Forfeit	2,000.00	
School Loans	120,000.00	
		$193,628.18
TOTAL CASH RECEIPTS		$1,109,181.61

EXPENDITURES FOR 1963

General Government

Selectmen	$1,378.52
Board of Public Welfare	296.26
Assessors	2,186.69
Treasurer	684.80
Town Clerk	598.70
Accountant	2,503.63
Collector	1,864.12
Registrars	64.50
Elections	85.00
Town Counsel	500.00
Appeal Board	129.85
Planning Board	1,448.18
Building Inspector	900.00
Wire Inspector	900.00
Gas Inspector	479.62
Finance Committee	200.00
Recreation Committee	1,128.00

Board of Health	4,362.51	
Inspector of Slaughtering	773.25	
Inspector of Animals	50.00	
		$20,533.63

Protection of Persons and Property

Sealer of Weights and Measures	$25.00	
Dog Officer	116.00	
Police	7,345.98	
Speed Control Survey	1,670.98	
Forest Warden	3,098.60	
Fire Warden	12,796.13	
Tree Warden	1,992.75	
Moth Suppression	1,186.90	
Dutch Elm Disease Control	1,887.95	
New Fire House — East Parish	6,544.54	
New Fire House — West Parish	37.96	
"Dry Hydrants" — Fire Department	598.75	
		$37,301.54

Aid and Relief

Public Welfare	$10.90	
Disability Assistance	2,248.15	
Disability Assistance, U.S. Grant	1,448.96	
Old Age Assistance, U.S. Grant	8,361.72	
Aid to Dependent Children	1,916.44	
Aid to Dep. Child., U.S. Grant	1,213.05	
Medical Aid to Aged	5,063.00	
Medical Aid to Aged, U.S. Grant	1,985.49	
Veterans' Benefits	811.05	
Central Essex Welfare Dist. Admin.	550.00	
		$23,608.76

Schools and Libraries

School Department	$183,813.34
School Bldg. Comm. — 1962 Acct.	8,181.68

National Def. Ed. — Title III	705.27	
School Lunch Program	20,572.25	
New Elementary School	263,010.43	
Cole School Addition	1,026.20	
Regional District School	209,467.44	
East Parish Library	1,334.40	
West Parish Library	933.16	
		$689,044.17

Highways

Chapter 81 — Maintenance	$20,532.40	
Chapter 90 Construction — '62 Acct.	2,735.49	
Chapter 90 Construction — Washington St.	1,140.41	
Towne Road	4,865.72	
Wood Hill Lane	1,029.55	
Highways and Bridges, Selectmen's Fund	2,400.00	
Snow Removal and Sanding	20,218.89	
Road Machinery Maintenance	1,486.98	
Sander and Used Tractor	2,772.00	
Street Lighting	861.46	
Vacation Account	1,178.00	
Sick Benefit	253.20	
		$59,474.10

Unclassified

Town Halls	$1,519.05
Public Grounds	95.15
Insurance	5,227.69
Town Forest	100.00
Memorial Day	375.00
Soldiers' Graves	200.00
Harmony Cemetery	150.00
Boxford Village Cemetery	150.00
Mt. Vernon Cemetery	50.00
Killam-Curtis Cemetery	13.00
Clerical	898.88
Community House	239.97

Town Reports	1,077.95	
Civil Defense	606.56	
Selectmen's Contingent Fund	915.49	
Veterans' Service District	155.00	
State Parks and Reservations	1,032.87	
Essex Sanatorium	1,180.98	
County Tax	6,608.04	
County Retirement System	5,016.65	
Federal Withholding Deductions	26,049.26	
State Withholding Deductions	2,274.92	
County Retirement Deductions	2,609.26	
Tax Title Release	4.00	
Stabilization Fund	65,000.00	
Motor Vehicle Excise Refunds	2,864.95	
Real Estate Tax Refund	404.00	
Dog Licenses to County	673.00	
Principal and Interest on Maturing Debt	13,591.06	
		$139,082.73
TOTAL CASH PAYMENTS		$969,044.93

BALANCE SHEET

December 31, 1963

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

ASSETS

Cash: General		$404,238.43
Accounts Receivable:		
Taxes:		
Levy of 1959		
Real Estate		$4.38
Levy of 1960		
Real Estate		$10.34
Levy of 1961		
Real Estate		$22.09
Levy of 1962		
Poll	$2.00	
Real Estate	2,311.85	
Personal Property	308.05	
		$2,621.90
Levy of 1963		
Poll	$86.00	
Real Estate	30,516.17	
Personal Property	1,628.64	
		$32,230.81
Classified Forest Land:		
Levy of 1963		$24.24
Farm Animal Excise:		
Levy of 1963		$54.50
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:		
Levy of 1962	$867.43	
Levy of 1963	17,520.68	
		$18,388.11

Departmental:		
Aid to Dependent Children	$327.03	
Veterans' Services	229.12	
Snow Removal	434.25	
		$990.40
Tax Title		$49.13
State and County Aid to Highways		$13,296.85
Chapter 782 — Highway Fund		$6,780.04
Underestimate:		
State Parks and Reservations		$113.30
		$478,824.52

DEBT ACCOUNT

Net Funded or Fixed Debt	$175,000.00

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Trust Funds, Cash and Securities	$126,851.40

LIABILITIES

Reserve until Collected:		
Tax Titles	$49.13	
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise Revenue	18,388.11	
Departmental Revenue	990.40	
Special Assessment Revenue	78.74	
State and County Aid to Highway Revenue	13,296.85	
		$32,803.23
Chapter 782 — Highway Fund		6,780.04
		$39,583.27
Overlay Reserved for Abatement of Taxes:		
Levy of 1959	$4.38	
Levy of 1960	10.34	
Levy of 1961	22.09	

Levy of 1962	2,621.90	
Levy of 1963	16,194.51	
		$18,853.22
Overlay Surplus Reserve		$68,541.89
Excess and Deficiency		$102,823.60
Appropriation Accounts:		
Goodwin Plans — 1954 Account	$100.00	
Recreation Committee	522.00	
Conservation Fund	3,000.00	
Speed Control Survey	329.02	
New Fire House — East Parish	128.14	
New Fire House — West Parish	20.74	
Moth Suppression	213.10	
Dutch Elm Disease Control	112.05	
Towne Road	373.88	
Wood Hill Lane	657.56	
Chapter 90 Construction	16,859.59	
School	751.38	
Cole School Addition 1960 Acct.	319.58	
School Building Committee 1961 Acct.	1,226.98	
School Building Committee 1962 Acct.	558.38	
School Building Committee Options	2,600.00	
New Elementary School	166,989.57	
		$194,761.97
U. S. Grants:		
Disability Assistance	$4,771.92	
Aid to Dependent Children	5,124.15	
Old Age Assistance	12,331.25	
Medical Aid to Aged	7,513.25	
School Aid — Public Law 874	10,090.80	
School Aid — National Defense	27.59	
		$39,858.96
West Parish Library	$256.85	
Road Machinery Fund	4,025.88	
School Lunch Program	4,618.82	
J. T. Barker Fund	5,300.00	
Civil Defense	54.62	
		$14,256.17

Overestimate:		
County Tax		145.44
		$478,824.52

DEBT ACCOUNT

School Loans	$175,000.00

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Town Farm Fund	$43,863.59	
Post-War Rehabilitation Fund	5,282.92	
Sarah P. Perley Fund	2,352.82	
Curtis-Killam Burial Lot Fund	361.88	
East Parish Library	3,500.00	
West Parish Library	3,000.00	
East Parish Library Cote Fund	1,291.36	
Boxford Visiting Nurse Association	1,324.99	
Town School Fund	4,500.00	
Stabilization Fund	61,373.84	
		$126,851.40

DETAIL OF EXPENDITURES FOR 1963

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Selectmen

Appropriation		$1,450.00
Salaries, Selectmen	$1,290.00	
Office Expense	44.52	
State and County Association Dues	44.00	
Total Expenditures	$1,378.52	
Balance to Revenue	71.48	
	$1,450.00	$1,450.00

Board of Public Welfare

Appropriation		$300.00
Salaries, Board of Public Welfare	$262.05	
Office Expenses	.41	
Association Dues	5.00	
Travel	28.80	
Total Expenditures	$296.26	
Balance to Revenue	3.74	
	$300.00	$300.00

Board of Assessors

Appropriation		$2,250.00
Salaries, Board of Assessors	$1,750.00	
Clerical	129.00	
Abstracts	119.25	
Office Supplies	176.44	
State and County Association Dues	12.00	
Total Expenditures	$2,186.69	
Balance to Revenue	63.31	
	$2,250.00	$2,250.00

Treasurer

Appropriation		$700.00
Salary, Treasurer	$350.00	
Bond	175.60	
Office Supplies	150.80	
Rent, Safety Deposit Vault	4.40	
State Association Dues	4.00	
Total Expenditures	$684.80	
Balance to Revenue	15.20	
	$700.00	$700.00

Town Clerk

Appropriation		$600.00
Services, Town Clerk	$332.00	
Bond	10.00	
Clerical	16.00	
Office Expense	233.20	
Association Dues	7.50	
Total Expenditures	$598.70	
Balance to Revenue	1.30	
	$600.00	$600.00

Collector

Appropriation		$2,000.00
Salary, Collector	$1,200.00	
Bonds	281.80	
Office Expense	364.82	
State Association Dues	4.00	
Deputy Collector	13.50	
Total Expenditures	$1,864.12	
Balance to Revenue	135.88	
	$2,000.00	$2,000.00

Accountant

Appropriation		$2,700.00
Salary, Accountant	$2,000.00	
Office Expense	350.63	
Clerical	153.00	
Total Expenditures	$2,503.63	
Balance to Revenue	196.37	
	$2,700.00	$2,700.00

Town Counsel

Appropriation		$500.00
Salary, Town Counsel	$500.00	
	$500.00	$500.00

Finance Committee

Appropriation		$50.00
Transfer from Reserve		$200.00
Legal Expense	$200.00	
Balance to Revenue	50.00	
	$250.00	$250.00

Registrars

Appropriation		$275.00
Salaries, Board of Registrars	$64.50	
Balance to Revenue	210.50	
	$275.00	$275.00

Elections

Appropriation		$200.00
Services, Town Clerk	$15.00	
Printing	70.00	
Total Expenditures	85.00	
Balance to Revenue	115.00	
	$200.00	$200.00

Appeal Board

Appropriation		$350.00
Advertising	$72.00	
Office Expense	57.85	
Total Expenditures	129.85	
Balance to Revenue	220.15	
	$350.00	$350.00

Planning Board

Appropriation		$1,500.00
Transfer from Town Reports		122.05
Advertising	$40.00	
Office Supplies	13.18	
Printing Zoning By-Laws	1,395.00	
Total Expenditures	$1,448.18	
Balance to Revenue	173.87	
	$1,622.05	$1,622.05

Town Recreation Committee

Appropriation		$1,650.00
Equipment Rented	$96.00	
Skating Rink	16.50	
Insurance	95.50	
Basketball Court	920.00	
Total Expenditures	$1,128.00	
Balance to 1964	522.00	
	$1,650.00	$1,650.00

Building Inspector

Appropriation		$900.00
Services, Building Inspector	$850.00	
Office Expense	50.00	
	$900.00	$900.00

Wire Inspector

Appropriation		$850.00
Transfer from Reserve		50.00
Services, Wire Inspector	$900.00	
	$900.00	$900.00

Gas Inspector

Appropriation		$500.00
Services, Gas Inspector	$340.00	
Supplies	139.62	
Total Expenditures	$479.62	
Balance to Revenue	20.38	
	$500.00	$500.00

HEALTH AND SANITATION

Board of Health

Appropriation		$3,300.00
Transfer from A.D.C.		1,080.00
Salaries, Board of Health	$200.00	
Services, Sanitary Engineer	1,061.00	
Services, Dump Caretaker	2,379.00	
Maintenance of Dump	281.15	
Supplies	38.76	
Rubbish Collection	21.60	
Nursing Service	21.00	
Printing Plumbing Code	345.00	
Clerical	15.00	
Total Expenditures	$4,362.51	
Balance to Revenue	17.49	
	$4,380.00	$4,380.00

Inspectors of Slaughtering

Appropriation		$1,000.00
Salaries, Inspectors of Slaughtering	$773.25	
Balance to Revenue	226.75	
	$1,000.00	$1,000.00

Inspector of Animals

Appropriation		$50.00
Salary, Inspector of Animals	$50.00	
	$50.00	$50.00

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Appropriation		$35.00
Salary, Sealer	$25.00	
Balance to Revenue	10.00	
	$35.00	$35.00

Dog Officer

Appropriation		$70.00
Refunds from Essex County		75.00
Salary, Dog Officer	$50.00	
Board and Disposal of Stray Dogs	66.00	
Total Expenditures	$116.00	
Balance to Revenue	29.00	
	$145.00	$145.00

Police

Appropriation		$6,500.00
Audit Adjustment		5.00
Transfer from Public Welfare		400.00
Transfer from Reserve		440.98
Labor	$5,118.03	
Insurance	300.00	
Equipment	311.12	
Telephone	197.86	
Repairs	683.33	

Gasoline and Oil	636.78	
Supplies	52.54	
Mileage	29.70	
Fuel	16.62	
Total Expenditures	$7,345.98	$7,345.98

Forest Warden

Appropriation		$2,000.00
Transfer from Reserve		1,100.00
Labor	$3,062.22	
Gasoline and Oil	8.42	
Fuel	27.96	
Total Expenditures	$3,098.60	
Balance to Reserve	1.40	
	$3,100.00	$3,100.00

Fire Warden

Appropriation		$6,830.00
Transfer from Reserve		5,966.13
Salary, Fire Warden	$700.00	
Janitor Service	120.00	
Labor	960.30	
Equipment	1,608.48	
Repairs	639.76	
Telephones	898.59	
Fuel	551.57	
Electricity	244.87	
Supplies	183.32	
Gasoline and Oil	475.19	
Hose	995.00	
Communications Systems	835.94	
Heater	1,395.00	
Truck	3,182.27	
Miscellaneous	5.84	
	$12,796.13	$12,796.13

New Fire House — East Parish

Balance from 1962		$6,663.38
Refund		9.30
Materials, Lumber, etc	$3,052.40	
Construction	550.00	
Chimney	140.00	
Heating	1,300.00	
Wiring	225.00	
Plumbing	138.13	
Painting	412.50	
Grounds	726.51	
Total Expenditures	$6,544.54	
Balance to 1964	128.14	
	$6,672.68	$6,672.68

Fire Department "Dry Hydrants"

Balance from 1962		$952.09
Refund		4.36
Dry Hydrants	$598.75	
Balance to Revenue	357.70	
	$956.45	$956.45

New Fire House — West Parish

Balance from 1962		$58.70
Paint	$33.96	
Advertising	4.00	
Total Expenditures	$37.96	
Balance to 1964	20.74	
	$58.70	$58.70

Tree Warden

Appropriation		$2,000.00
Labor	$475.15	
Trucks	254.50	

Power Saw	130.00	
Contract Work	1,076.00	
Trees	18.00	
Tractor	24.60	
Supplies	14.50	
Total Expenditures	$1,992.75	
Balance to Revenue	7.25	
	$2,000.00	$2,000.00

Moth Suppression

Appropriation		$1,400.00
Spraying	$644.40	
Contract Work	295.00	
Supplies	247.50	
Total Expenditures	$1,186.90	
Balance to 1964	213.10	
	$1,400.00	$1,400.00

Dutch Elm Disease Control

Appropriation		$2,000.00
Labor	$493.65	
Power Saw	122.00	
Trucks	269.00	
Tractor	154.30	
Contract Work	849.00	
Total Expenditures	$1,887.95	
Balance to 1964	112.05	
	$2,000.00	$2,000.00

Speed Control Survey

Appropriation		$2,000.00
Survey	$950.00	

Signs	720.98	
Total Expenditures	$1,670.98	
Balance to 1964	329.02	
	$2,000.00	$2,000.00

CHARITIES, AID AND VETERANS' BENEFITS

Public Welfare

Appropriation		$1,000.00
Medical	$8.40	
Hospital	2.50	
Total Expenditures	$10.90	
Transfer to Police	400.00	
Balance to Revenue	589.10	
	$1,000.00	$1,000.00

Old Age Assistance

Appropriation		$2,000.00
Transfer to Snow Removal	$2,000.00	
	$2,000.00	$2,000.00

Old Age Assistance, U. S. Grant

Balance from 1962		$16,746.37
Federal Grants		3,808.00
Refunds		138.60
Cash	$8,167.04	
Other Cities and Towns	194.68	
Balance to 1964	12,331.25	
	$20,692.97	$20,692.97

Aid to Dependent Children

Appropriation		$3,000.00
Cash	$1,916.44	
Transfer to Board of Health	1,080.00	
Balance to Revenue	3.56	
	$3,000.00	$3,000.00

Aid to Dependent Children, U. S. Grant

Balance from 1962		$5,312.20
Federal Grants		1,025.00
Cash	$1,213.05	
Balance to 1964	5,124.15	
	$6,337.20	$6,337.20

Disability Assistance

Appropriation		$3,000.00
Cash	$2,248.15	
Transfer to Insurance	750.00	
Balance to Revenue	1.85	
	$3,000.00	$3,000.00

Disability Assistance, U. S. Grant

Balance from 1962		$4,539.38
Federal Grants		1,681.50
Cash	$1,448.96	
Balance to 1964	4,771.92	
	$6,220.88	$6,220.88

Medical Aid for the Aged

Appropriation		$5,000.00
Refund		63.00
Cash	$5,063.00	
	$5,063.00	$5,063.00

Medical Aid for the Aged, U. S. Grant

Balance from 1962		$5,957.20
Federal Grants		3,541.54
Cash	$1,985.49	
Balance to 1964	7,513.24	
	$9,498.74	$9,498.74

Central Essex Welfare District Administration

Appropriation		$550.00
Welfare District Expense	$550.00	
	$550.00	$550.00

Veterans' Benefits

Appropriation		$1,500.00
Cash	$465.00	
Medical	341.05	
Hospital	5.00	
Total Expenditures	$811.05	
Transfer to Selectmen's Highway Fund	400.00	
Balance to Revenue	288.95	
	$1,500.00	$1,500.00

HIGHWAYS

Highways and Bridges — Selectmen's Fund

Appropriation		$2,000.00
Transfer from Veterans' Benefit		400.00
Labor	$853.85	
Trucks	634.39	
Loader	42.00	
Shovel	31.03	
Bulldozer	12.00	

Power Saw	2.00	
Beams	206.00	
Lumber	451.20	
Creosote	31.23	
Signs	73.16	
Hot Top	22.54	
Grass Seed	7.60	
Cement	33.00	
Total Expenditures	$2,400.00	$2,400.00

Chapter 90 — Construction, Washington Street — 1963

Balance from 1962		$2,735.49
Labor	$1,622.50	
Trucks	267.75	
Tractor	348.00	
Backhoe	216.00	
Bounds	84.50	
Sand and Cement	38.57	
Hot Top	105.48	
Grass Seed	52.69	
Total Expenditures	$2,735.49	$2,735.49

Chapter 90 — Construction, Topsfield Road, Washington Street and Middleton Road

State Allotment		$12,000.00
County Allotment		6,000.00
Washington Street:		
Labor	$250.90	
Trucks	49.50	
Loader	18.00	
Guard Rail	436.00	
Pipe	169.25	
Hot Top	72.03	

Gravel	138.42	
Grass Seed	6.31	
Total Expenditures	$1,140.41	
Balance to 1964	16,859.59	
	$18,000.00	$18,000.00

Towne Road

Balance from 1962		$2,077.00
Cash		3,200.00
Labor	$1,302.90	
Trucks	873.75	
Shovel	420.00	
Grader	266.00	
Loader	174.00	
Roller	80.00	
Power Saw	24.00	
Bulldozer	192.00	
Blasting	63.00	
Pipe	28.66	
Oil	846.07	
Sand and Gravel	591.39	
Kerosene	3.95	
Use of Town Tools	37.40	
Total Expenditures	$4,903.12	
Balance to 1964	373.88	
	$5,277.00	$5,277.00

Wood Hill Lane

Cash		$1,704.31
Labor	$631.05	
Trucks	193.50	
Tractor	39.00	
Backhoe	64.00	

Grader	102.00	
Use of Town Tools	17.20	
Total Expenditures	$1,046.75	
Balance to 1964	657.56	
	$1,704.31	$1,704.31

Chapter 81 — Maintenance

Appropriation		$3,200.00
State Allotment		17,600.00
Labor	$8,686.85	
Trucks	2,562.75	
Shovel	256.97	
Loader	147.00	
Grader	252.00	
Backhoe	104.00	
Tractors	396.00	
Power Saws	94.00	
Sand and Stone	1,668.00	
Oil	5,398.48	
Signs	15.85	
Compressor	30.00	
Lumber	3.60	
Patch	839.75	
Pipe	77.15	
Use of Town Tools	267.60	
	$20,800.00	$20,800.00

Snow Removal and Sanding

Appropriation		$18,000.00
Transfer from Old Age Assistance		2,000.00
Transfer from Reserve		2,092.89
Labor	$7,132.75	
Trucks	2,301.75	
Trucks and Plows	2,370.36	

Grader	78.00	
Bulldozer	80.00	
Loader	83.00	
Power Saw	6.00	
Sander	1,453.34	
Tractor	459.00	
Sand	2,216.18	
Salt	3,425.31	
Use of Town Tools	1,874.00	
	$22,092.89	$22,092.89

Road Machinery Maintenance

Transfer from Road Machinery Fund		$1,500.00
Labor	$206.40	
Gasoline, Oil and Kerosene	87.44	
Repairs	683.23	
Equipment	320.00	
Light	31.77	
Tools	55.63	
Lumber	46.98	
Fuel	53.28	
Truck	2.25	
Total Expenditures	$1,486.98	
Balance to Road Mach. Fund	13.02	
	$1,500.00	$1,500.00

Street Lighting

Appropriation		$900.00
Street Lights	$861.46	
Balance to Revenue	38.54	
	$900.00	$900.00

Highway Vacation Account

Appropriation		$1,200.00
Vacation Payrolls	$1,178.00	
Balance to Revenue	22.00	
	$1,200.00	$1,200.00

Sander and Used Tractor — Highway Department

Appropriation		$3,000.00
Advertising	$4.00	
Used Tractor	800.00	
Sander	1,968.00	
Total Expenditures	$2,772.00	
Balance to Revenue	228.00	
	$3,000.00	$3,000.00

Sick Benefit

Appropriation		$250.00
Transfer from Interest on Loans		75.00
Pay Rolls	$253.20	
Balance to Revenue	71.80	
	$325.00	$325.00

SCHOOLS AND LIBRARIES

All Schools

Appropriation		$186,257.00
Teachers' Salaries:		
School Teachers	$100,508.76	
Substitutes	1,896.00	
Supervisory	16,997.16	
Superintendence:		
Salary	4,488.72	

Clerks	3,732.53	
Expense	350.70	
Health:		
Nurse	858.00	
Physician	450.00	
Supplies	38.79	
Tuition	758.84	
Transportation	24,142.40	
Miscellaneous:		
Janitors	7,961.92	
Attendance Officers	10.00	
Committee Expense	139.36	
Books	3,977.18	
Supplies	2,990.36	
Fuel	3,507.47	
Electricity	1,950.27	
Telephones	443.06	
Repairs	4,055.37	
Cleaning	215.00	
Census	100.00	
Office Expense	51.74	
Supervisors' Expense	322.91	
Insurance	287.62	
Janitor's Supplies	1,024.15	
Grounds	127.05	
Remedial Reading	219.34	
Guidance	189.15	
Music	73.05	
Moving Furniture	32.50	
Equipment	1,484.70	
Rubbish Collection	433.60	
Total Expenditures	$183,817.70	
Carried to 1964	751.38	
Balance to Revenue	1,687.92	
	$186,257.00	$186,257.00

School Building Committee — 1962 Account

Balance from 1962		$8,740.06
Architect	$7,705.00	
Blue Prints	384.00	
Advertising	17.00	
Office Expense	75.48	
Total Expenditures	$8,181.68	
Balance to 1964	558.38	
	$8,740.06	$8,740.06

School Account — National Defense Education Title III A

Balance from 1962		$342.54
U. S. Treasury		390.32
Equipment	$705.27	
Balance to 1964	27.59	
	$732.86	$732.86

Cole School Addition

Balance from 1962		$1,345.78
Grounds	$500.00	
Equipment	526.20	
Total Expenditures	$1,026.20	
Balance to 1964	319.58	
	$1,345.78	$1,345.78

School Lunch Program

Balance from 1962	$4,225.90
Audit Adjustment	.54
State Grants	5,731.21
Cash	15,233.42

Salaries	$6,076.61	
Food	12,436.80	
Equipment	739.53	
Repairs	67.28	
Convention Expense	45.50	
Supplies	68.63	
Transportation	824.00	
Gas	313.90	
Total Expenditures	$20,572.25	
Balance to 1964	4,618.82	
	$25,191.07	$25,191.07

Regional District School

Appropriation		$209,467.44
Masconomet Regional District School	$209,467.44	

East Parish Library

Appropriation		$550.00
Half Dog Licenses Refund from County		182.17
60% State Aid to Public Libraries		301.50
Interest — Invested Funds		300.73
Operation Expense Refunded to Association	$1,334.40	
	$1,334.40	$1,334.40

West Parish Library

Appropriation		$550.00
Half Dog Licenses Refund from County		182.16
40% State Aid to Public Libraries		201.00
Interest — Invested Funds		256.85
Operating Expense Refunded to Association	$933.16	
Balance to 1964	256.85	
	$1,190.01	$1,190.01

UNCLASSIFIED

Town Halls

Appropriation		$2,000.00
Janitors	$298.50	
Fuel	421.83	
Light	215.92	
Telephone	291.32	
Repairs	277.95	
Supplies	13.53	
Total Expenditures	$1,519.05	
Balance to Revenue	480.95	
	$2,000.00	$2,000.00

Public Grounds

Appropriation		$300.00
Care of Public Grounds	$95.15	
Balance to Revenue	204.85	
	$300.00	$300.00

Town Forest

Appropriation		$100.00
Labor	$100.00	
	$100.00	$100.00

Soldiers' Graves

Appropriation		$225.00
East Parish Cemeteries	$100.00	
West Parish Cemeteries	100.00	
Balance to Revenue	25.00	
	$225.00	$225.00

Harmony Cemetery

Appropriation		$150.00
Maintenance	$150.00	
	$150.00	$150.00

Boxford Village Cemetery

Appropriation		$150.00
Maintenance	$150.00	
	$150.00	$150.00

Killam-Curtis Cemetery

Interest from Fund		$13.00
Maintenance	$13.00	
	$13.00	$13.00

Mt. Vernon Cemetery

Appropriation		$50.00
Maintenance	$50.00	
	$50.00	$50.00

Memorial Day

Appropriation		$375.00
Refund from A. L. Post		29.35
American Legion Post No. 379	$375.00	
Balance to Revenue	29.35	
	$404.35	$404.35

Clerical

Appropriation		$1,500.00
Clerical	$898.88	
Balance to Revenue	601.12	
	$1,500.00	$1,500.00

Community House

Appropriation		$300.00
Electricity	$35.96	
Repairs	204.01	
Total Expenditures	$239.97	
Balance to Revenue	60.03	
	$300.00	$300.00

Town Reports

Appropriation		$1,200.00
Town Reports	$1,027.95	
Delivery	50.00	
Total Expenditures	$1,077.95	
Transfer to Planning Board	122.05	
	$1,200.00	$1,200.00

Civil Defense

Balance from 1962		$111.18
Appropriation		400.00
Transfer from Interest on Loans		100.00
Transfer from Reserve		150.00
Director's Salary	$100.00	
Fire	41.55	
Telephone	136.71	
Office Expenses	211.90	
Maintenance of Equipment	116.40	
Total Expenditures	$606.56	
Balance to 1964	54.62	
	$661.18	$661.18

Contingency Fund

Appropriation		$700.00
Refund		5.00
Transfer from Interest on Loans		233.94
Masconomet School Rent	$101.25	
Law Books	406.08	
Petitions and Fees	120.00	
Signs, Printing, etc.	186.00	
Snow Removal	102.16	
Total Expenditures	$915.49	
Balance to Revenue	23.45	
	$938.94	$938.94

Interest and Amortization of School Loan

Appropriation		$14,000.00
Interest	$1,591.06	
Payment on Principal	12,000.00	
Total Expenditures	$13,591.06	
Transfer to Sel. Cont. Fund	233.94	
Transfer to Civil Defense	100.00	
Transfer to Sick Benefit	75.00	
	$14,000.00	$14,000.00

Reserve Fund

Appropriation from Overlay Fund		$10,000.00
Total Transfers	$10,000.00	
	$10,000.00	$10,000.00

Insurance

Appropriation	$4,695.71
Transfer from Disability Assistance	750.00

Conpensation	$1,187.50	
Liabliity	394.15	
Motor Vehicle Liability	2,288.43	
Fire	1,147.28	
Fire, Theft and Collision	210.33	
Total Expenditures	$5,227.69	
Balance to Revenue	218.02	
	$5,445.71	$5,445.71

Respectfully submitted,

BARBARA C. PERLEY,
Town Accountant

REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER

The Receipts and Disbursements in the General Cash Account for the year 1963 were as follows:

Balance, January 1, 1963		$266,147.72
Tax Collector	$548,306.71	
Commonwealth of Massachusetts:		
Highways	38,489.47	
Education	180,342.38	
Taxes	14,656.06	
Old Age Assistance, grants	6,975.48	
Aid to Dependent Children, grants	2,069.23	
Disability Assistance, grants	2,829.73	
Medical Aid to Aged	5,922.57	
Veterans' Benefits	291.58	
Animal Inspection	25.00	
School Lunch Program	5,731.21	
County of Essex:		
Highways	2,430.66	
Dog License refund	364.33	

Trust Funds, Income	101,952.58	
Departmental Receipts	1,408.91	
Licenses and Permits	4,321.00	
Income from Town Property	1,939.25	
Federal Withholding Tax Account	26,049.26	
State Withholding Tax Account	2,306.35	
Departmental Refunds	15,622.75	
School Lunch Program	15,233.42	
County Retirement Account	2,609.26	
Court Fines	205.00	
Telephone Refunds and Commission	101.09	
Towne Road	3,200.00	
Wood Hill Lane	1,704.31	
Interest	1,925.22	
Bid Forfeit	2,000.00	
School Loans	120,000.00	
Miscellaneous	168.80	
Audit Adjustment	1,625.04	
		$1,110,806.65
		$1,376,954.37

Disbursements:

Treasury Warrants as issued by Accountant and approved by Selectmen	$969,044.93	
Audit Adjustment	3,671.01	
		972,715.94
Balance December 31, 1963		$404,238.43

For a more detailed statement of Receipts and Disbursements, see report of Town Accountant.

REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS AND ACCOUNTS

STABILIZATION FUND

Georgetown Savings Bank, Book 14821:	
Balance January 1, 1963	$9,863.86
Interest	223.40
	$10,087.26
Withdrawn	8,753.22
Balance January 1, 1964	$1,334.04
Andover Savings Bank, Book 75659	
On deposit March 15, 1963	$25,000.00
Withdrawn March 27, 1963	15,000.00
Interest for year 1963	233.99
Balance January 1, 1964	$10,233.99
Salem Savings Bank, Book 110123	
On deposit January 1, 1963	$37,973.28
Withdrawn July 23, 1963	30,000.00
Interest for year 1963	945.02
Balance January 1, 1964	$8,918.30
Warren Five Cents Savings Bank, Book 98035	
On deposit April 11, 1963	$15,000.00
Interest for year 1963	300.00
Balance January 1, 1964	$15,300.00
Haverhill Savings Bank, Book T3786	
Topsfield Branch	
On deposit March 15, 1963	$25,000.00
Interest for year 1963	587.51
Balance January 1, 1964	$25,587.51

TOWN FARM FUND

There are deposited in the safe deposit vault of the Danvers Savings Bank, United States Treasury Bonds, par value $6,500.00.

$6,500.00 U.S. Treasury Bonds, 2½'s, 70/65	$6,500.00
Danvers Savings Bank, Book 14805:	
On deposit January 1, 1963	8,408.37
Interest for the year 1963	361.14
Balance January 1, 1964	$8,769.51

Interest from the above bonds is deposited in the banks as follows:

Lawrence Savings Bank, Book 83858:	
On deposit January 1, 1963	$155.42
Interest for the year 1963	6.66
Balance January 1, 1964	$162.08
Salem Five Cents Savings Bank, Book 28764:	
On deposit January 1, 1963	$18,008.63
Interest on U. S. Treasury Bonds	162.50
Savings Bank Interest for 1963	745.05
Balance January 1, 1964	$18,916.18
Salem Savings Bank, Book 99618:	
On deposit January 1, 1963	$9,135.13
Interest for the year 1963	380.69
Balance January 1, 1964	$9,515.82

WEST PARISH LIBRARY FUND

Lawrence Savings Bank, Book 107895:	
On deposit January 1, 1963	$1,564.41
Interest for the year 1963	67.17
	$1,631.58

Withdrawn	131.58
Balance January 1, 1964	$1,500.00
Salem Five Cents Savings Bank, Book 30896:	
On deposit January 1, 1963	$1,560.90
Interest for the year 1963	64.37
	$1,625.27
Withdrawn	125.27
Balance January 1, 1964	$1,500.00

EAST PARISH LIBRARY COTE FUND

Danvers Savings Bank, Book 10319:	
On deposit January 1, 1963	$1,238.19
Interest for the year 1963	53.17
Balance January 1, 1964	$1,291.36

BOXFORD VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION

Danvers Savings Bank, Book 9224:	
On deposit January 1, 1963	$1,270.44
Interest for the year 1963	54.55
Balance January 1, 1964	$1,324.99

POST WAR REHABILITATION FUND

Interest from U. S. bonds were deposited in the Danvers Savings Bank, Book 15573:

On deposit January 1, 1963	$2,157.44
Interest for the year 1963	92.65
Balance January 1, 1964	$2,250.09
Georgetown Savings Bank, Book 11752:	
On deposit January 1, 1963	$2,915.07
Interest for the year 1963	117.76
Balance January 1, 1964	$3,032.83

SARAH P. PERLEY FUND

Andover Savings Bank, Book 38221:	
On deposit January 1, 1963	$2,261.48
Interest for the year 1963	91.34
Balance January 1, 1964	$2,352.82

CURTIS AND KILLAM BURIAL LOT FUND

Danvers Savings Bank, Book 8600:	
On deposit January 1, 1963	$359.73
Interest for the year 1963	15.15
	$374.88
Withdrawn	13.00
Balance January 1, 1964	$361.88

EAST PARISH LIBRARY FUND

Lawrence Savings Bank, Book 107894:	
On deposit January 1, 1963	$2,085.89
Interest for the year 1963	89.57
	$2,175.46
Withdrawn	175.46
Balance January 1, 1964	$2,000.00
Salem Five Cents Savings Bank, Book 30898:	
On deposit January 1, 1963	$1,560.90
Interest for the year 1963	64.37
	$1,625.27
Withdrawn	125.27
Balance January 1, 1964	$1,500.00

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL FUNDS

For the year ending December 31, 1963

The funds are invested in the following Savings Banks:

Salem Five Cents Savings Bank Book No. 11474	$1,000.00
Danvers Savings Bank Book No. 5501	2,000.00
Salem Savings Bank Book No. 83786	1,000.00
Haverhill Savings Bank Book No. T 2437	500.00
Total amount of fund	$4,500.00

The interest on the above funds has been sent to the Town Treasurer by check as follows:

Salem City Five Cents Saving Bank	$40.63
Danvers Savings Bank	85.00
Salem Savings Bank	41.25
Haverhill Savings Bank	15.12
Total	$182.00

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY E. TRASK

RICHARD P. CHADWICK

AMY G. PARKHURST
Committee on School Funds

All of the Bonds and bank books for the preceding Trust Funds are in the custody of the Town Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

LUCY K. PARKHURST,
Treasurer

REPORT OF AUDITS

of

THE ACCOUNTS

of

THE TOWN CLERK

and

THE SEVERAL DEPARTMENTS

(For the Period from March 23, 1961 to May 21, 1963)

of the

TOWN OF BOXFORD

Made in Accordance with the Provisions of
Chapter 44, General Laws

July 24, 1963

To the Board of Selectmen
Mr. Harry L. Cole, Chairman
Boxford, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my report of an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Boxford for the period from March 23, 1961 to May 21, 1963, made in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44, General Laws. This is in the form of a report made to me by Mr. William Schwartz, Assistant Director of Accounts.

Very truly yours,

ARTHUR H. MacKINNON,
Director of Accounts

Mr. Arthur H. MacKinnon
Director of Accounts
Department of Corporations and Taxation
Boston, Massachusetts

Sir:

In accordance with your instructions, I have made an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Boxford for the period from March 23, 1961, the date of the previous examination, to May 21, 1963, and report thereon as follows:

The records of the financial transactions of the several departments receiving or disbursing money for the town or committing bills for collection were examined and checked with the records of the town treasurer and the town accountant.

The books and accounts in the town accountant's office were examined and checked in detail. The receipts, as recorded, were checked with the treasurer's books, while the recorded payments were compared with the treasurer's cash

book and with the approved treasury warrants. The appropriations, loans authorized, and transfers, as entered, were checked with the town clerk's records of town meeting votes and with the finance committee's records of transfers authorized from the reserve fund, while other accounts were checked with the records of the several departments in which the transactions originated.

An analysis was made of the ledger accounts, a trial balance was taken off, and a balance sheet, a copy of which is appended to this report, was prepared showing the financial condition of the town as of May 21, 1963.

The books and accounts of the town treasurer were examined and checked. The cash book additions were verified, and the recorded receipts were compared with the accountant's books, with the records of the several departments collecting money for the town, and with other sources from which money is paid into the town treasury. The payments were checked with the selectmen's warrants authorizing the treasurer to disburse town funds and with the accountant's ledger. The cash balance on May 21, 1963 was proved by reconciliation of the bank balances with statements furnished by the banks of deposit, by verification of the certificate of deposit, by examination of the savings bank books, and by actual count of the cash in the office.

Considerable time was spent in effecting a proper reconciliation of the treasurer's cash, and it is recommended that the cash book balance be reconciled with the cash in the banks and in the office at least weekly, that all bank statements be reconciled promptly upon their receipt, and that a permanent record be kept of all cash and bank reconciliations.

The payments on account of maturing debt and interest were verified by comparison with the amounts falling due and were checked with the cancelled securities and coupons on file.

The savings bank books and securities representing the investment of the trust and investment funds in the custody

of the town treasurer and the trustees of the Jonathan Tyler Barker Free School Fund were examined and listed. The income was proved, and all transactions and balances were verified and checked with the books of the town accountant.

The records of payroll deductions on account of Federal and State taxes, and the county retirement system were examined and checked. The payments to the proper agencies were verified, and the balances as shown on the individual employees' records were listed and reconciled with the town accountant's ledger controls.

The records of tax titles held by the town were examined and checked with the deeds on file. The amounts added to the tax title account were compared with the tax collector's books, the redemptions were checked with the treasurer's cash book, and the tax titles on hand were listed and reconciled with the town accountant's ledger.

The books and accounts in the tax collector's office were examined and checked. The taxes and excise recommitted at the time of the previous examination, as well as all subsequent commitments, were audited and compared with the assessors' warrants. The recorded receipts were checked with the commitment books, the abatements as recorded were checked with the assessors' records of abatements granted, the recorded transfers to tax titles were checked with the treasurer's records of tax titles taken, the payments to the treasurer were verified, and the outstanding accounts were listed and proved.

The outstanding tax and excise accounts were further verified by mailing notices to a number of persons whose names appeared on the books as owing money to the town, the replies received thereto indicating that the accounts, as listed, are correct.

The financial accounts of the town clerk were examined and checked. The recorded receipts from dog and sporting licenses were checked, and the payments to the town and to the State were verified.

The available records of departmental cash collections by the selectmen, the sealer of weights and measures, and the building, wire, and gas inspectors, as well as by the police, health, highway, and school departments, and by all other departments in which money is collected for the town, were examined and checked. The recorded collections were compared with the payments to the treasurer as shown by the treasurer's and the accountant's books, and the cash on hand in the several departments was proved by actual count.

The surety bonds of the town officials required to file them for the faithful performance of their duties were examined and found to be in proper form.

Appended to this report, in addition to the balance sheet, are tables showing reconciliations of the town treasurer's and the town clerk's cash, summaries of the tax, excise, tax title, and departmental accounts, as well as schedules showing the condition and transactions of the several trust and investment funds.

For the cooperation received from the town officials during the progress of the audit, I wish, on behalf of my assistants and for myself, to express appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM SCHWARTZ,
Assistant Director of Accounts

TOWN OF BOXFORD

Balance Sheet — May 21, 1963

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

Assets

Cash:		
General		$101,893.53
Accounts Receivable:		
Taxes:		
Levy of 1959:		
Real Estate		4.38
Levy of 1960:		
Real Estate		10.34
Levy of 1961:		
Real Estate		76.79
Levy of 1962:		
Poll	$14.00	
Personal Property	1,068.08	
Real Estate	14,174.01	
		15,256.09
Levy of 1963:		
Poll		362.00
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:		
Levy of 1962:		3,195.89

Liabilities and Reserves

State and County Assessments 1963:		
State Assessment:		
Recreation Areas	$919.57	
County Tax	6,753.48	
		$7,673.05
Payroll Deductions:		
Federal Taxes	$1,133.33	
State Taxes	274.12	
County Retirement System	94.50	
		1,501.95
Agency:		
County—Dog Licenses	$4.75	
Tax Title Release	4.00	
		8.75
Trust Fund Transactions:		
Jonathan Tyler Barker Free School Fund		4,100.00

BALANCE SHEET (Continued)

Assets (Continued)

Farm Animal Excise:		
Levy of 1962	$30.63	
Levy of 1963	164.31	
		194.94
Tax Titles		44.08
Departmental:		
Town Hall	$140.00	
Animal Inspector—State	25.00	
Highway—Snow Removal	434.25	
Disability Assistance	333.92	
Aid to Dependent Children	713.79	
Old Age Assistance	704.37	
Medical Assistance for the Aged	738.55	
Veterans' Services	449.34	
		3,539.22
Aid to Highways:		
State	$861.32	
County	430.66	
		1,291.98
Revenue 1963:		
Personal Property and Real Estate Taxes to be Committed		479,366.20

Liabilities (Continued)

Federal Grants:		
Disability Assistance	$4,580.93	
Aid to Dependent Children	5,230.35	
Old Age Assistance	15,007.60	
Medical Assistance for the Aged	6,905.98	
School Aid, Public Law #874	9,515.80	
National Defense Education	342.54	
		41,583.20
Revolving Fund:		
School Lunch		5,614.53
Appropriation Balances:		
Revenue:		
General	$513,287.96	
Non-Revenue:		
Cole School Addition	1,345.78	
		514,633.74
Appropriations Voted From Stabilization Fund For New Elementary School Construction		100,000.00
Appropriations Voted From Highway Fund Chapter 782, Acts of 1962, For Chapter 90 Construction—1963		6,000.00
Loans Authorized and Unissued		115,000.00

BALANCE SHEET (Continued)

Assets (Continued)	
Estimated Receipts—To be Collected	146,928.29
Loans Authorized:	
New Elementary School Construction	115,000.00
Due From Stabilization Fund For New Elementary School Construction	100,000.00
Due From Highway Fund—Chapter 782, Acts of 1962 for Chapter 90 Construction—1963	6,000.00
Overdrawn Appropriation:	
Highway—Snow Removal	138.83
	$973,302.56

Liabilities (Continued)		
Receipts Reserved for Appropriation:		
Road Machinery		3,205.66
Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus		55,855.00
Overlay Reserved for Abatement:		
Levy of 1959	$4.38	
Levy of 1960	10.34	
Levy of 1961	76.79	
Levy of 1962	15,256.09	
Levy of 1963	18,304.80	
		33,652.40
Revenue Reserved Until Collected:		
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	$3,195.89	
Special Tax	194.94	
Tax Title	44.08	
Departmental	3,539.22	
Aid to Highway	1,291.98	
		8,266.11
Surplus Revenue:		
Current Year	$3,998.00	
Prior Years	72,210.17	
		76,208.17
		$973,302.56

BALANCE SHEET (Continued)

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Assets (Continued)		Liabilities (Continued)		
Net Funded or Fixed Debt:		Serial Loans:		
Outside Debt Limit:		Outside Debt Limit:		
General	$60,000.00	School Construction		$60,000.00

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Trust and Investment Funds:		In Custody of Treasurer:		
Cash and Securities:		Welfare Funds:		
In Custody of Treasurer	$221,723.39	Town Farm	$42,468.88	
In Custody of Trustees	28,110.99	Sarah P. Perley	2,261.48	
		Boxford Visiting Nurse Association	1,270.44	
				$46,000.80
		School Fund		4,500.00
		Library Funds:		
		East Parish	$3,646.79	
		East Parish—Cote	1,238.19	
		West Parish	3,125.31	
				8,010.29
		Cemetery Fund:		
		Curtis and Killam		354.36

BALANCE SHEET (Continued)

Assets (Continued)

	$249,834.38

Liabilities (Continued)

Investment Funds:		
Post-War Rehabilitation	$5,072.51	
Stabilization	157,785.43	
		162,857.94
In Custody of Trustees:		
Jonathan Tyler Barker Free School Fund		28,110.99
		$249,834.38

ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF BOXFORD

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1963

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL REPORT

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Peter K. Race, Chairman	Term expires 1965
Shirley MacGill, Vice-Chairman	Term expires 1964
A. Gordon Price, Secretary	Term expires 1966
G. Dana Bill	Term expires 1966
Robert R. Crandall	Term expires 1964

SUPERINTENDENT

Herbert A. Rouisse

School Committee Operation

The committee held a total of 23 regular meetings and 1 special meeting during 1963. All meetings were held in the Cole School Reading Room. Regular meetings for 1964 are scheduled for the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at 7:30 P.M. Meetings are open and the public is invited to attend. It should be noted that the meetings are occasionally covered by a press representative and regularly reported in the local press. The committee has seldom gone into executive session and then only in such matters requiring privacy. Notice of special meetings, changes in dates, or changes in the location of meetings are posted in the Town Hall.

Mrs. Shirley MacGill has served as the local representative to the Masconomet Regional School Committee, effecting a liaison between the two committees. G. Bill, R. Crandall, and P. Race have served as members of the School Building Committee, helping to coordinate the related activities of the School Committee with that group.

Financial

The continuing growth of the elementary school population requires a substantial increase in the budget again in 1964.

The elementary school population was 395 on October 1, 1961. This figure reached 452 pupils in 1962, and 473 pupils in 1963. Pupil population projections indicate a further growth to 524 for the fall of 1964. Provision is made in the budget for two additional teachers and a greater quantity of supplies. This current pupil growth added to that of recent years, will have further significant impact on the 1964 Budget through the anticipated opening of the Spofford Pond School in September.

The change in each major account is noted below:

Account	Appropriation 1963	Budget 1964	Increase Decrease	Per Cent of Change
General Control	$ 7,547.	$ 8,148.	$ 601.	+ 5.3%
Instruction	127,014.	146,698.	19,684.	+ 15.5%
Operation of School Plant	16,477.	19,600.	3,123.	+ 19.0%
Maintenance	1,865.	1,635.	—230.	— 12.4%
Auxiliary Agencies	32,486.	36,728.	4,242.	+ 13.1%
Outlay	868.	129.	—739.	— 85.1%
Total	$186,257.	$212,938.	$26,681.	14.2%

The major increase is found in the Instruction Account. The increase of $19,684 is occasioned by these factors:

1. The provision of salary for two additional teachers for September-December, 1964.
2. The impact of a full year's salary for one teacher added in September, 1963.
3. The impact for a full year of salary schedule adjustments effective in September, 1963.
4. The impact for a portion of a year of salary schedule adjustments effective in September, 1964.
5. The provision of new services or for more time devoted to those previously carried on, namely, speech, French, remedial reading, and the school adjustment counselling service.

A second increase of significance is found in the account for Operation of School Plant. The anticipated opening of the Spofford Pond School in September occasions much of this increase in that provisions have been made for additional custodial help, for more fuel and power, and for a greater quantity of custodial supplies.

The Auxiliary Agencies Account has also been increased significantly. Chiefly responsible are:

1. The provision of funds to continue for a second year the summer school program established in 1963. Much of this will be returned to the Town by collection of fees.

2. The payment for tuition and transportation of a greater number of pupils attending vocational schools and special class.

An estimate of average enrollment for 1963, based largely on actual figures, is 463. Therefore, our gross per pupil cost for 1963, based on appropriation figures is $402.28. Anticipated receipts, after an apportionment of Chapter 70 funds for secondary education, will total about $54,712.69, giving a net per pupil cost of $284.11.

The estimated average membership is 501 for 1964. The proposed budget for Grades 1 through 6 is $212,938. Therefore a gross per pupil cost of $425.03 is derived. Anticipated receipts in 1964, with Chapter 70 funds apportioned as above, will total about $63,380.82, yielding an estimated net per pupil cost of $298.52 for 1964.

PER PUPIL COSTS

	Gross	Net
1963	$402.28	$284.11
1964	425.03	298.52
Difference	+ $22.75	+$14.41

School Facilities

The addition of one class in September necessitated the return to classroom use of the basement room at the Gardner Morse School. Housed at that school now are three classes of West Boxford children at the primary level. All available classroom space is now in use. It is fortunate that the new Spofford Pond School has reached construction stage, which will make the building available for use in September, 1964. Tentative plans call for the housing of several classrooms of West Boxford children at the Spofford Pond School with the remainder of the school population to be located at the Cole and Wood Schools. It is expected that the Gardner Morse School will not be used for school purposes during the coming school year. With the anticipated opening of the Spofford Pond School in September, the school housing situation should be excellent for a brief period.

Efforts have been made to maintain the present facilities in the best condition possible so that the entire elementary school plant, both the older and the more recent, will provide safe, attractive, and instructionally suitable facilities for learning. Among projects completed during the year were:

Aaron Wood School
- Interior painting
- Extension of intercom system from Cole School

Gardner Morse School
- Repair of water conductors
- Installation of a dry well
- Repair of baseball backstop

Harry Lee Cole School
- Painting auditorium and stage
- Replacement of storage room floor
- Construction of an enclosure for gas tank
- Replacement of baseball backstop
- Installation of playground equipment

It should be noted that the last named item was paid for from School Building Committee funds. Also the Recreation Committee provided an outdoor basketball court at the Gardner Morse School.

Increasingly the school facilities are being utilized for community purposes and serve for more than the basic education function. The new summer school program was an extention of basic academic use. Other uses with an educational aspect are those by the dancing classes sponsored by the Parent-Teacher Association and by the Boy Scout and Girl Scout groups. Recreational activities at the school include the boys' basketball program sponsored by the Boxford Athletic Association, the men's basketball program, Little League activities, men's softball, and the motion picture programs sponsored by the Parent Teachers' Association. Other public uses of school facilities include the holding of School Committee meetings, School Building Committee meetings, Town Meetings, Parent-Teacher meetings, and occasional meetings of other groups.

Such public use of school facilities which does not interfere with the educational program is encouraged as a means of realizing the greatest return possible from the public investment in these school facilities.

School Lunch Program

The school lunch program in Boxford was initiated in 1955 on a very limited basis and developed very rapidly into a major enterprise as is shown by a few simple figures, starting with the year in which Grades 7 and 8 first went to the Regional High School:

Year	Meals Served	Average Daily
1959-1960	23,249	134
1960-1961	26,737	165
1961-1962	42,181	250
1962-1963	52,953	304
1963-1964	59,590	331*

*Estimate for year based on first three months.

Much of the growth is attributable of course to the great increase in pupil enrollment during this same period. However, some of the growth must be credited to the increasingly higher percentage of pupils participating in the program. A third factor in the expansion of the program was the institution of a carry-out service from the Cole School to the Morse School in 1962. In an effort to provide a hot lunch for those pupils in the Morse School, food is prepared at the Cole School, transported to the Morse School, and served to the pupils. The daily number of meals presently provided for the Morse pupils averages between 50 and 60.

The cost of the meal to pupils is $.25. Certain commodities are received at no charge from the National School Lunch Program as well as a subsidy payment of $.09 per meal. These receipts have been sufficient to provide for all operating costs and to enable the program to show a favorable balance each year.

1962-1963 School Year

Total Income Based on Sales		$20,081.16
Expenditures		
Food	$11,059.10	
Wages	5,849.20	
Equipment	298.03	
Other	1,702.38	
		18,908.71
Profit		$1,172.45

The Curriculum

Continuing effort has been made in an effort to define the present curriculum and to give it new direction where indicated. The attempt to define the curriculum was first evidenced in 1962 through the completion of curriculum guides in English, arithmetic, science, and social studies. During 1963 guides in art, music, physical education, and reading were prepared.

While formal school committee adoption has not been made in all these instances, working drafts are now in use. A supplement to the English guide, dealing with creative writing, was also put into use.

A significant step was taken in September, 1963 with the establishment of the position of speech therapist. This service is shared jointly among the towns of Boxford, Middleton and Topsfield. The therapist first organized the program by making a speech survey of all children in Grades One and Two and by testing all referrals of upper grade pupils made by the classroom teachers. A regular schedule of lessons was established for the approximately twenty-seven pupils seen regularly in Boxford. These children have one or two lessons per week of twenty minutes duration and are instructed singly or in groups of four or less.

The majority of the problems are those of articulation. These children can be helped through better ear training, relearning of the defective sounds, and finally through carry-over into conversational speech. Less numerous are fluency problems and voice problems (voice quality, rate, pitch). Generally about five per cent of any school population can benefit from speech therapy.

Close contact is kept by the speech therapist with the parents, the teachers, and other staff members as well as with outside referral agencies when warranted. Very few children have isolated speech problems. As speech is our basic communication tool it cannot help but contribute to, or be a result of, other pressures on the individual. Parents are encouraged to visit the speech classes and written suggestions to parents and teachers are presented occasionally.

Another significant step in the development of the academic program was reached with the establishment of a summer school reading program. In July, 1963, a total of 46 pupils registered for reading instruction, and an effective program was carried out. Under the direction of three teachers a daily

three hour program was carried out at the Cole School. The classes were geared to helping those pupils whose progress in reading had been somewhat slow, or for whom a normal summer loss in reading skill would have been harmful. Attention was given to such aspects of reading as structural analysis, phonetic analysis, basal vocabulary development, silent reading, oral reading, and individualized reading. The devotion of a three hour session entirely to reading was very effective, permitting the use of a wide range of activities and because the activities were varied the interest did not wane.

It was found that this five week program did not interfere greatly with the summer cleaning program and made possible a greater utilization of the school plant. It is hoped that a similar program will be carried on in 1964, continuing the main emphasis on reading instruction and expanding the offering to include arithmetic. Receipts from registration fees brought the net cost of the program to $493.51.

Not only was help in reading provided many children through the establishment of the summer program, but also continuing aid throughout the year. In addition to the regular classroom instruction, remedial reading was available for those pupils needing the extra help. In September, 1963 the position of remedial teacher, formerly on a part time basis, was made a full time position. A further attempt to aid reading progress was the beginning of a home reading program. This entailed the provision of sets of graded readers for certain pupils in the primary grades to take home. Pupils were encouraged to read these books to their parents and parents were given information as to the purpose of the practice and how it could best be carried on. The additional reading practice appeared to benefit many pupils and it is hoped to expand this program.

The school library program initiated at the Cole School in the Fall of 1961 has continued to develop. From a virtually non-existent collection, the number of available titles has grown to a total approaching respectability, if yet far below an optimum range. In a period of little more than two years some

1,150 titles have been added. Some of these have been provided from building committee and school committee appropriations. Many have been made available by the Parent-Teacher Association. In the process of raising funds for library purposes, the Parent-Teacher Association has held annual book fairs, which have served a dual purpose: the stimulation of interest in books by means of the very vehicle providing the wherewithal to secure books. In addition, the Parent-Teacher Association has assumed much of the responsibility for the operation of the library. Parents have catalogued and prepared books for placement on the shelves and staffed the library to carry out the book circulation process.

The establishment of the remedial reading position on a full time basis in September of 1963 made impossible the continuation of the library program in the small dual-purpose room originally designed for the double function. Therefore, the library has been moved to a partitioned-off wing of the stage for the current school year. The opening of the Spofford Pond School will make possible the moving of the library to more suitable quarters at the Cole School, as well as the initiation of a similar program at the new school.

Regional Cooperation

Continuing effort is being made to bring about maximum cooperation among the three regional school district towns and to provide for better articulation between the elementary and secondary levels. The representative to the regional school committee from the local committee serves as a liason agent between those two groups and regularly brings information about important regional school matters to the attention of the local committee. Boxford and Topsfield share the services of an art supervisor and a music supervisor. These same towns and Middleton share the services of the school adjustment counsellor and the speech therapist, making available these important special programs which the individual towns doubtless could not have supported. Topsfield and Boxford have de-

veloped curriculum guides and certain administrative policies jointly. The different time tables of school construction in Topsfield and Boxford have made possible the loan of school furnishings, which has saved both systems several hundreds of dollars in the last three years.

The three superintendents have continued their practice of regular meetings. Resulting from these have been such items as a common school calendar and a more uniform standard testing program. Preliminary work is now in progress to bring about a better coordination of the curriculum from Grade One through Grade Twelve.

Health Service

Effort has been made to provide school health services which will protect and improve the health of the pupils, especially as to those aspects having direct relation to school progress. Such regular activities as first aid, care of ill children, height and weight checks for all children, and the maintenance of comprehensive health records were carried on. Additional activities included:

Physical Examinations—90 pupils
Vision Tests—459 pupils—12 referrals
Hearing Tests—452 pupils—6 referrals
Tuberculosis Patch Tests—130 pupils—all negative
Diphtheria-Tetanus Inoculations—90 pupils
Flu Vaccine—School Staff

It has been noted that there has been a tendency toward involvment of the various specialists on the staff in an effort to deal with certain problems. The cooperative efforts of the school nurse, the speech therapist, the school adjustment counsellor, and other members of the school staff demonstrate the concern for the total development of the child and a willingness of the staff members to pool their activities toward a greater service for all children, especially those requiring particular help.

Dr. Fred Nahil of Georgetown resigned as school physician at the end of 1962. Dr. Clarence Thornton of Danvers served as interim school physician for the period from January through June. Dr. James Brackbill of Georgetown was appointed to the position for the school year 1963-1964.

A Look Ahead

The first annual report of the present superintendent listed ten targets at which to aim in the months and years ahead. These were as follows:

1. An elementary school library program, properly housed and effectively operated
2. A remedial reading program
3. A remedial speech program
4. An instrumental music program
5. An elementary school guidance program
6. A wider testing program, making greater use of individual and diagnostic testing
7. A codification of school policies and regulations
8. An improved physical education program
9. The provision of adequate materials and organization to afford wider opportunity for our more academically talented youngsters
10. The development of curriculum guides

A perusal of earlier paragraphs of this report will reveal that definite progress has been made toward the accomplishment of most of these objectives.

A library program has been in operation at the Cole School for some time and a similar program will be established at the Spofford Pond School in the fall of 1964. The remedial reading teacher, the speech therapist, and the school adjustment counsellor are helping children daily. At the present writing approximately sixty pupils take instrumental music lessons. A school band has been organized during the past two years.

School policies and regulations have been codified. Curriculum guides are now in use. A wider range of materials has been provided for instructional use and new aids have been introduced. Included have been new social studies books, individualized reading kits, a controlled reading machine, and new science equipment. Ability grouping in both reading and arithmetic make possible a better gearing of instruction to the needs and talents of the pupils. Of the original ten objectives, significant progress has been made toward all except the improvement of the physical education program. This must remain as a continuing objective.

In each of these areas mentioned above, it should be recognized that only beginnings have been made. Everyone of these programs must be developed much more and thus they serve in a sense as continuing goals. As these programs are expanded and improved, beginning steps must be taken in other directions. The following are an indication of the new targets at which to set our sights:

1. The development of a non-graded organization at the primary level.
2. The development of the individualized literary aspect of the reading program.
3. The incorporation of programmed learning into the accepted pattern of classroom instruction.
4. The incorporation of the newer mathematics into the conventional arithmetic program.
5. The provision of suitable space to serve the art and music program.
6. The development of the library program to become an integral part of the academic program, including sufficient space and materials under the direction of a professional school librarian.

ENROLLMENT OCTOBER 1, 1963

HARRY LEE COLE

Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	Totals
Boys	26	37		38	47	38	186
Girls	26	25		37	42	29	159
	52	62		75	89	67	345

AARON WOOD

Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	Totals
Boys			26				26
Girls			24				24
			50				50

GARDNER MORSE

Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	Totals
Boys	15	17	11				43
Girls	10	10	14				34
	25	27	25				77

SCHOOL CENSUS

Ages	5-7	7-16	16-21	Totals
Boys	50	329	41	420
Girls	45	297	53	395
	95	626	94	815

SCHOOL CALENDAR

1964

Winter Term

January 2 ..... School Reopens

February 21 ..... Winter Recess — school closes at regular time

March 2 ..... School Reopens
March 27 ..... Good Friday — no school
April 17 ..... Spring Recess — school closes at regular time

Spring Term

April 27 ..... School Reopens
June 22 ..... Closing Hour 12 noon
June 23 ..... Closing Hour 12 noon
June 24 ..... School Closes for summer vacation at 12 noon

Fall Term

September 8 ..... Teacher Orientation
September 9, 10, 11 ..... School in Session — dismissed at 12 noon
September 14 ..... School opens full time session
October 12 ..... Columbus Day — no school
October 21 ..... Teachers' Convention — no school
November 11 ..... Veteran's Day — no school
November 25 ..... Thanksgiving Recess — dismissal at noon
November 30 ..... School Reopens
December 23 ..... Christmas Recess — school closes at regular time

(Subject to change)

BOXFORD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BUDGET

FOR 1964

1. GENERAL CONTROLS	
School Committee	
Salary of Clerk	$300.00
Expenses of Committee	150.00
Superintendent	
Salary	4,803.00
Travel within state	232.00

Travel without state	74.00	
Salary of Clerks	2,111.00	
Office Expenses	368.00	
Census	100.00	
Attendance Officers	10.00	
		$8,148.00

2. INSTRUCTION		
Supervisors	$18,341.00	
Supervisors' Expense	225.00	
Teachers		
Elementary	118,838.00	
Substitutes	1,864.00	
Home Teachers	200.00	
Textbooks	3,225.00	
Supplies		
Elementary	2,580.00	
Physical Education	200.00	
Audio Visual	325.00	
Guidance	300.00	
Remedial Reading	400.00	
Music	200.00	
		$146,698.00

3. OPERATION OF SCHOOL PLANT		
Janitors' Salaries	$8,090.00	
Fuel	4,650.00	
Light and Power	2,670.00	
Janitors' Supplies	1,740.00	
Telephones	350.00	
Reimbursable Janitors' Salaries	890.00	
Rubbish Collection and Snow Removal	710.00	
Contingency	500.00	
		$19,600.00

4. MAINTENANCE OF SCHOOL PLANT		
Specific Repairs and Replacements	$785.00	
Emergency Repairs and Replacements	850.00	
		$1,635.00
5. AUXILIARY AGENCIES		
Health		
Nurse	$1,180.00	
Physician	470.00	
NEMHACGA	100.00	
Medical Supplies	80.00	
Transportation		
Regular	$22,745.00	
Vocational	600.00	
Educational Trips	200.00	
Special Class	1,080.00	
Tuition	1,700.00	
Teachers' Workshop and Conferences	75.00	
School Library	350.00	
Summer School	1,300.00	
Insurance	3,900.00	
Matching Funds — Title III	200.00	
School Lunch Supervisors	2,448.00	
Contingency	300.00	
		$36,728.00
6. OUTLAY		
New Equipment		129.00
		$212,938.00

ESTIMATED REIMBURSEMENTS 1964

General School Funds Chapter 70	$59,463.00
Based on Proportion of Pupils —	
Elementary	$36,450.82
Secondary	23,012.18

Union Superintendent's Salary and Travel	1,830.00	
School Transportation	20,230.00	
School Adjustment Counsellor	1,530.00	
Vocational Education-Tuition and Travel	995.00	
Speech Therapist	755.00	
Speech Education	690.00	
Anticipated Summer School Receipts	900.00	
	$86,393.00	
For Elementary Purposes		63,380.82
Net Cost to the Town for Elementary Education		$149,557.18

TEACHERS' DIRECTORY

As of January 1, 1964

Name	Grade or Subject	School	Appointment	Graduate of
Joseph P. Ritchie	Principal	Elementary	1956	Boston College
Daniel T. Murphy	Asst. Prin. and Grade 6	Cole	1963	Fitchburg State College
Helen Chadwick	6	Cole	1955	Bridgewater State College
Mary Welch	6	Cole	1958	Bridgewater State College
Nadine A. Cronin	5	Cole	1963	Smith College
Ruth E. Morin	5	Cole	1950	Hyannis State College
Gilda Blackstock	5	Cole	1963	Salem State College
Barbara Benson	4	Cole	1962	University of Illinois
Geraldine Drummey	4	Cole	1960	Lowell State College
Isabelle Griffin	4	Cole	1961	Regis College
Anne Bixby	3	Wood	1961	Wellesley College
Sherry Chew	3	Wood	1963	Goucher College
Marjorie C. Trahan	3	Morse	1963	Salem State College
Dorothy M. Carver	2	Morse	1939	Salem State College
Harriet Goldthwaite	2	Cole	1962	University of Massachusetts
Janice R. Tipert	2	Cole	1963	University of Massachusetts
Enid Davis	1	Morse	1961	So. Conn. State College
Lelia Millay	1	Cole	1944	Farmington State College

Geraldine West	1	Cole	1958	Salem State College
Dorothea D'Agostino	Reading	Cole	1960	Farmington State College
Natalie Keohane	French	Cole	1963	Swarthmore College
Helen M. Hight	Art		1962	Springfield College
Sandra Shore	Music		1961	Boston Conservatory of Music
Lois Crane	School Adjustment Counsellor		1962	Boston University
Carlotta Miller	Speech		1963	Boston University

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Finance Committee has reviewed all of the budget requests by the department heads and feels that the requests are valid and reasonable. The operating budget of the town will be higher in 1964 because of higher school costs, growth of town and an increasing demand for additional town services.

The Finance Committee would like to bring to the attention of the citizens that certain changes in the town may be required in the near future. It is our belief that the creation of a Public Works Department will bring about certain economies and minimize the administration of a number of small departments as the town continues to grow.

Before long it will be necessary to have additional personnel in both the police and fire departments who will be on duty at all times during the work week. This personnel would be under the administration of the heads of the police and fire department and would supplement the present personnel to give the town greater coverage.

In the future, a definite program should be instituted to have the town surveyed. This survey is normally done by aerial photography. This would be of great assistance to the assessors. A complete updating of the valuation and appraisal of both the land and buildings in the town should be made. This action would eliminate any discrepancies and inequities that may now exist and all the citizens of the town could be assured that each person was paying only their fair share of the tax burden based on current valuation. This dual program will cost money but its cost can be quickly recovered.

DEWITT MINICH
ARTON C. PIERCE
JOHN G. BOLTON
CHARLES RICH
ALLEN E. GRIFFIN

WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Essex, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Boxford, in said County.

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Boxford, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs to meet at the Masconomet Regional School, Boxford, on Monday, the second day of March next, at 8:00 o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

Article 1. To hear and act on the reports of the Town Officers and Committees.

Article 2. To act on the suggested budget and see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the use of the several departments for the current year, to wit: Schools, Highways and Bridges, Charities, Health, Veterans' Benefits, Street Lighting, Moth Suppression, Memorial Day, Forest Warden, Town Halls, Elcetions, Interest on Loans, Sealer of Weights and Measures, Town Clerk, Accountant, Selectmen and all other necessary and proper expenses arising during said year.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate $1,500.00 or other suitable sum, for the maintenance of Road Machinery, said amount to be transferred from the Road Machinery Fund.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate $10,000.00 for the Reserve Fund, said amount to be transferred from Overlay Reserve.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to bor-

row money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1964 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

Article 6. To allow bills of charge and to raise and appropriate money for paying the same.

Article 7. To see what compensation the Town will vote to pay for labor in the several departments for the ensuing year.

Article 8. To appropriate the sum refunded from the County on account of dog licenses for libraries or schools.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,750.00 to be divided equally between the two libraries of the Town for use toward the maintenance of said libraries; or take any action relative thereto.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $6,000.00 or any other sum to be used for initially equipping and furnishing the Spofffford Pond School.

Article 11. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of $2,000.00 for the purpose of trading the present police cruiser for a 1964 model.

Article 12. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of $70,000.00 or any other sum for the purpose of adding to the Stabilization Fund as provided by Section 5B, Chapter 40, General Laws.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to adopt a recodification of the by-laws, other than the zoning by-law, in accordance with a proposal on file with the town clerk which shall make no changes in existing by-laws except as to numbering and arrangement, or take any action in the matter; and raise and appropriate $300.00 for printing same.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,200.00 for the purpose of establishing a ballfield at the new Spofford Pond School site.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to take up to $300.00 from the Rehabilitation Fund to cover the expenses of a bronze plaque, commemorating the nine sons who served in the Civil War.

Article 16. To see whether the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $8,000.00 for the purchase of a new pump and tank for Engine No. 3 for the Fire Department.

Article 17. To see whether the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,000.00 to install windows and a fire escape at the West Boxford Fire Station and toilet facilities at the East Boxford Fire Station.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $35,000.00 from Surplus Revenue to meet the State and County allotments for highways, the money when reimbursed to be credited to Surplus Revenue.

Article 19. To see whether the Town will vote to accept the provisions of General Laws Chapter 40, Section 8D, inserted by Chapter 697 of the Acts of 1963, relative to the establishment of a historical commission.

Article 20. To see if the Town will petition the State Tax Commission for the installation of the State Assessment System as provided in Section 7A of Chapter 58, of the General Laws, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 21. To see if the Town will authorize the assessors to enter into a contract, as provided under Section 4 of Chapter 40 of the General Laws, in an amount not exceeding $10,000.00 for the preparation of assessors' maps, and to appropriate from available funds in the treasury or raise and appropriate in the 1964 tax levy the sum of $10,000.00 to meet the 1964 installment on each contract.

Article 22. To see if the Town will authorize the assessors to enter into a contract, as provided under Section 4 of Chapter 40 of General Laws, in an amount not exceeding $15,000.00 for an expert appraisal of real estate, and to appropriate from

available funds in the treasury or raise and appropriate in the 1964 tax levy the sum of $15,000.00 to meet the 1964 installment on such contract.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $5,400.00 for use in conjunction with allotments from the State and County, for Chapter 90 construction work; said sum to be transferred from funds received from the State under Chapter 822, Acts of 1963, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,400.00 to be used in conjunction with an allotment from the State under Chapter 90 Maintenance.

Article 25. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of $4,100.00 or other suitable sum from Surplus Revenue to meet the cost of repairing, widening and reconstructing the bridge on Towne Road, done in anticipation of reimbursement, any amounts when reimbursed to be credited to Surplus Revenue; and to authorize the selectmen to enter into any necessary contracts relative to such reimbursement.

Article 26. To see whether the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,000.00 for dry hydrants and water holes.

Article 27. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

You are hereby ordered to notify and warn said qualified voters to meet in the New Fire House, Precinct 1, Boxford, on Tuesday, the third day of March next, for the following purposes, viz: To choose by ballot the following Town Officers for the ensuing year: Moderator for one year; Selectman for three years; Town Treasurer for three years; Collector of Taxes for one year; Assessor of Taxes for three years; Assessor of Taxes for one year; 2 members of the School Committee for three years; Board of Health for three years; Surveyor of Highways,

East Parish, for one year; Surveyor of Highways, West Parish, for one year; Tree Warden for one year; Constable, East Parish, for one year; Constable, West Parish, for one year; one member of the Planning Board for five years.

THE POLLS WILL BE OPEN AT 12:00 NOON AND WILL CLOSE AT 8:00 P.M.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof at each of the public meeting houses in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this fourteenth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixty-four.

HARRY L. COLE

FRANKLIN C. ROBERTS, JR.

JOHN EVANS

Board of Selectmen

SUGGESTED BUDGET FOR 1964

Selectmen	$1,450.00
Board of Public Welfare	300.00
Assessors	2,400.00
Treasurer	700.00
Town Clerk	600.00
Collector of Taxes	2,000.00
Town Accountant	2,700.00
Registrars	500.00
Elections	1,000.00
Planning Board	300.00
Appeal Board	300.00
Building Inspector	900.00
Wire Inspector	900.00
Gas Inspector	500.00
Plumbing Inspector	500.00
Finance Committee	150.00
Town Counsel	500.00
Recreation Committee	1,050.00
Board of Health	4,000.00
Inspection of Slaughter	1,000.00
Inspection of Animals	50.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures	35.00
Dog Officer	70.00
Police	13,500.00
Forest Warden and Fire Warden	11,360.00
Tree Warden	2,000.00
Moth Suppression	1,400.00
Dutch Elm Disease	2,000.00
Public Welfare Disability Assistance Aid to Dependent Children Old Age Assistance Medical Aid to Aged	12,000.00
Central Essex Welfare District Admin.	605.00

Veterans' Benefits	1,500.00
School	212,938.00
Regional District School	239,371.98
Selectmen's Highway Fund	2,000.00
Chapter 81 Maintenance	3,300.00
Snow Removal	21,000.00
Street Lighting	900.00
Vacation Account	1,200.00
Sick Benefit	250.00
Town Halls	2,000.00
Public Grounds	300.00
Town Forest	100.00
Civil Defense	400.00
Insurance	6,795.46
Memorial Day	525.00
Soldiers Graves	225.00
Mount Vernon Cemetery	50.00
Harmony Cemetery	150.00
Boxford Village Cemetery	150.00
Town Reports	1,300.00
Clerical	1,500.00
Selectmen's Contingency Fund	700.00
Interest on Maturing Debt	4,905.00
School House Notes	32,000.00
Community House	300.00
TOTAL	$598,630.44

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IN MEMORIAM

ALBERT GARLAND GALE

1890 — 1964

Planning Board Member	1946 - 1955
Election Officer - Town Elections	1956 & 1958

ALFRED LAUSTSEN

1910 - 1964

Volunteer Fireman	1954 - 1964

THOMAS H. BONVIE

1876 - 1964

Inspector of Slaughtering	1963 - 1964
Custodian, Town Hall	1963 - 1964

TOWN OFFICERS

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Harry L. Cole	Term expires 1965
John Evans	Term expires 1966
Clayton B. Larrabee	Term expires 1967

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Selectmen

CENTRAL ESSEX WELFARE DISTRICT

Mrs. Phyllis R. Brown, Director

NORTH ANDOVER and BOXFORD DISTRICT DEPT. OF VETERANS' SERVICE

Bernard W. Bingham, District Director

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Chester K. Twiss	Term expires 1965
J. Warren Chadwick	Term expires 1966
Harry L. Cole	Term expires 1967

TOWN TREASURER

Lucy K. Parkhurst	Term expires 1967

TOWN CLERK

E. Laurence Colby	Term expires 1965
Barbara C. Perley, Assistant	Term expires 1965

MODERATOR

William J. Greenler, Jr.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES

Frederick A. Smallman

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Peter K. Race	Term expires 1965
G. Dana Bill	Term expires 1966
A. Gordon Price	Term expires 1966
Robert R. Crandall	Term expires 1967
John Stewart Haywood	Term expires 1967

BOARD OF HEALTH

Harry L. Cole — Term expires 1965
Stephen Maddock, M.D. — Term expires 1966
Charles H. Pinkham, 2nd — Term expires 1967

TREE WARDEN

Robert E. Hebb

HIGHWAYS SURVEYORS

Clinton E. French
B. Robert Cunningham (Resigned)

CONSTABLES

Nathaniel N. Love, Jr.
Walter H. Gamans, Jr.

CHIEF OF POLICE

Nathaniel N. Love, Jr.

MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

Robert E. Hebb

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Chester A. Leighton

COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL FUNDS

Amy G. Parkhurst
Harry E. Trask
Richard P. Chadwick

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Barbara C. Perley — Term expires 1965

CHIEF OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

C. Richard Cunningham

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

William J. Greenler, D.V.M.

INSPECTORS OF SLAUGHTERING

Thomas H. Bonvie (Deceased)
Samuel E. Lawes
Walter H. Gamans, Jr.

TRUANT AND ATTENDANCE OFFICER

Archer N. French

DOG OFFICER

Grace L. Gray

FOREST WARDEN
C. Richard Cunningham

FENCE VIEWERS
Selectmen

REGIONAL DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Hans W. Barber	Term expires 1965
Arthur Gingrande	Term expires 1966

PLANNING BOARD

J. Warren Chadwick	Term expires 1965
William E. Dorman	Term expires 1965
Simeon S. Pearl	Term expires 1966
Warren R. Godfrey	Term expires 1966
Charles L. Cotton	Term expires 1967
Charles P. A. Nelson	Term expires 1968
E. Laurence Colby	Term expires 1969

TRUSTEE OF BOXFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY
Seth L. Kelsey

CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR
Gordon A. Russell

DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF CIVIL DEFENSE
Henry W. Nason John M. Moore

BUILDING INSPECTOR
Henry W. Nason

WIRE INSPECTOR
Herbert W. Sperry

GAS INSPECTOR
Gardner W. Starrett

PLUMBING INSPECTOR
Harold L. Galloway

TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE

Robert B. Parkhurst	Term expires 1965
Walter K. Morss	Term expires 1966
Winthrop P. Haynes	Term expires 1967

FINANCE COMMITTEE

John G. Bolton	Term expires 1964
DeWitt T. Minich	Term expires 1965
Arion C. Pierce	Term expires 1966
Allen E. Griffin	Term expires 1966
Charles Rich (Resigned)	
Robert C. Buell	Term expires 1967

TOWN COUNSEL

William J. Greenler, Jr.

APPEAL BOARD

Charles A. Kane, M.D.	Term expires 1964
John A. Chew	Term expires 1965
Paul G. Edwards (Resigned)	

APPEAL BOARD ALTERNATE

John P. Marsh	Term expires 1964
Ronald Houldsworth	Term expires 1965

RECREATIONAL COMMITTEE

Shirley MacGill	Term expires 1965
A. Gordon Price	Term expires 1965
Marion M. Colby	Term expires 1966
David G. Doughty	Term expires 1966
William R. Davis	Term expires 1967

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Stuart K. Harris	Term expires 1965
Edward L. French	Term expires 1965
Dorothy Woodbury	Term expires 1966
Seth L. Kelsey (Resigned)	
Catherine Thomas	Term expires 1966
Winthrop P. Haynes	Term expires 1967

SPECIAL POLICE

Clinton E. French	Earle Blake
Cecil Farnsworth	James T. Stromberg
Ethel Walker	Peter L. Vrettos
Walter H. Gamans, Jr.	Harold O. Sederquest
Fred D. Newell, Jr.	Paul A. Genest
George E. Inch (Resigned)	Richard W. Pratt

RESERVE POLICE FOR CIVIL DEFENSE

Harold R. Johnson
Horace D. Moore
Ernest K. Mortimer
Francis S. Smith

SWORN WEIGHERS
MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK
SURVEYORS OF LUMBER
FIELD DRIVERS

SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE

Frederick B. Monell, Jr.
Leroy E. Curtis, Jr.
John R. Benson
G. Dana Bill
Peter K. Race
Dudley W. Watkins, Jr.
Robert R. Crandall

BOXFORD DATA

The Town of Boxford was incorporated in 1685.

Population (1960 census), 2010.

Area in square miles, 24.39.

Boxford is in the Third Essex Senatorial District and in the Eleventh Essex Representative District.

The Senator is Phillip A. Graham, 293 Bridge Street, Hamilton, Massachusetts.

The Representatives are Belden G. Bly, Jr., 46 Auburn Street, Saugus and Russell H. Craig, 540 Chestnut Street, Lynn.

The Building Inspector is Henry W. Nason, Washington Street, West Boxford. Telephone — Haverhill, 372-2320.

The Wire Inspector is Herbert W. Sperry, Main Street, West Boxford. Telephone — Haverhill, 372-7649.

The Sanitary Engineer is Tracy I. Flagg, 111 Collins Street, Danvers. Telephone (evenings) — 774-4979.

The Gas Inspector is Gardner W. Starrett, Middleton Road, Boxford, Telephone 887-5058.

The Plumbing Inspector is Harold R. Galloway, Middleton Road, Boxford, Telephone 887-2232.

LIST OF JURORS — 1964 - 1965

Baer, John F., machinist, Main St., Boxford.

Bickford, F. Ann, housewife, Georgetown Road, Boxford.

Bumpus, Henry W., retired, Ipswich Road, Boxford.

Carlson, Roy C., Jr., engineer, Ipswich Road, Boxford.

Callahan, C. Henry, retired, Bare Hill Road, Boxford.

Edwards, Dorotha L., housewife, Ipswich Road, Boxford

Emery, Arthur L., retired, Ipswich Road, Boxford (West).

Gallyon, James H., retired, Ipswich Road, Boxford.

Gardner, F. Carlisle, salesman, Georgetown Road, Boxford.

Garrity, Robert F., retired, Georgetown Road, Boxford.

Hazelwood, Earle C., Jr., Industrial Engineer, Chapman Road, Boxford.

Killam, Rachael F., clerk, Middleton Road, Boxford.

Kimball, Richard D., mech. engineer, Cross Road, Boxford.

Little, Ernest W., caretaker, Middleton Road, Boxford.

Patscheider, Rosamond E., housewife, Spofford Road, West Boxford.

Pearl, Raymond, agriculturist, Main Street, West Boxford.

Pearl, Simeon S., retired, Lake Shore Road, West Boxford.

Pitman, Norman W., heat treater, Main Street, West Boxford.

Poirier, Marie J., housewife, Topsfield Road, Boxford.

Purkis, George T., manufacturer, Bare Hill Road, Boxford.

Thomas, Catherine, housewife, Baldpate Road, Boxford.

Williams, Marjorie L., housewife, Depot Road, Boxford.

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, MARCH 2, 1964

The voters of Boxford met at the Masconomet Regional School on March 2, 1964 at 8:00 P.M. with William J. Greenler, Jr. presiding as moderator. Rev. Arthur F. White of the First Congregational Church offered a prayer at the opening of the meeting. Miss Janice Hopping, accompanied by Mrs. Marie Smith, sang "The Star Spangled Banner." The articles of the warrant were disposed of as follows:

Article 1. Voted to accept the reports of the Town Officers and Committees as printed in the Town Report.

Voted that in the future, the complete recapitulation sheet used by the assessors in arriving at the tax rate be printed as part of the assessors' report in the Town Report.

The School Building Committee reported that the new Spofford Pond School was 90% complete and would be ready for occupancy in September, 1964.

Article 2. The suggested budget was adopted as printed with two exceptions: Town Reports was increased from $1,300.00 to $1,379.65; School House Notes was decreased from $32,000.00 to $31,000.00.

Article 3. Voted to appropriate $1,500.00 for the maintenance of Road Machinery, said amount to be transferred from the Road Machinery Fund.

Article 4. Voted to appropriate $15,000.00 for the Reserve Fund, said amount to be transfered from the Overlay Reserve.

Article 5. Voted to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1964 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

Article 6. Voted to pass over.

Article 7. Voted to increase the compensation for town labor as follows: from $1.50 to $1.75 per hour where applicable, and from $1.90 to $2.15 per hour where applicable. A hand vote showed 169 yes, 50 no.

Article 8. Voted that the sum refunded from the County on account of dog licenses be appropriated and divided equally between the two libraries of the town.

Article 9. Voted that the sum of $1,750.00 be raised and appropriated and divided as follows between the two libraries: $1,000.00 to the East Parish library, and $750.00 to the West Parish library.

Article 10. Voted to pass over.

Article 11. Voted unanimously to transfer $2,000.00 from the Stabilization Fund for the purpose of trading the present police cruiser for a 1964 model.

Article 12. Voted to raise and appropriate $80,000.00, and to transfer $20,000.00 from Overlay Surplus Revenue, for the purpose of adding to the Stabilization Fund as provided by Section 5B, Chapter 40, General Laws.

Article 13. Voted that the Committee appointed pursuant to the vote of the Special Town Meeting of March 25, 1954, to study and make recommendations regarding codification and revision of the town by-laws, be re-activated and instructed to report at the first special or annual meeting following next June 1; and that further action under this article be postponed until such report.

Article 14. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,200.00 for the purpose of establishing a ball field at the new Spofford Pond School site under the jurisdiction of the School Committee.

Article 15. Voted to take up to $300.00 from the Rehabilitation Fund to cover the expense of a bronze plaque, commemorating the nine sons who served in the Civil War.

Article 16. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $8,000.00 for the purchase of a new pump and tank for Engine No. 3 for the Fire Department.

Article 17. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,000.00 to install windows and a fire escape at the West Boxford Fire Station, toilet facilities at the East Boxford Fire Station, and miscellaneous repairs and improvements in either station, to be expended under the direction of the Fire Chief.

Article 18. Voted to appropriate the sum of $35,000.00 from Surplus Revenue to meet the State and County allotments for highways, the money when reimbursed to be credited to Surplus Revenue.

Article 19. Voted 174-56 to postpone any action.

Article 20. Voted to pass over.

Article 21. Voted to authorize the assessors to enter into a contract, as provided under Section 4 of Chapter 40 of the General Laws, in an amount not exceeding $10,000.00 for the preparation of assessors' maps and records, said money to be raised and appropriated in the 1964 tax levy.

Article 22. Voted 98 yes, 146 no, by hand vote against adopting this article.

Article 23. Voted to appropriate the sum of $5,400.00 for use in conjunction with allotments from the State and County, for Chapter 90 construction work; said sum to be transferred from funds received from the State under Chapter 822, Acts of 1963.

Article 24. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,400.00 to be used in conjunction with an allotment from the State under Chapter 90 Maintenance.

Article 25. Voted to pass over.

Article 26. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,000.00 for dry hydrants and water holes.

Article 27. Voted to adjourn at midnight. The attendance was slightly under 300 voters.

A true record.

Attest:

E. LAURENCE COLBY,
Town Clerk

BUDGET ADOPTED FOR 1964

Selectmen	$1,450.00
Board of Public Welfare	300.00
Assessors	2,400.00
Treasurer	700.00
Town Clerk	600.00
Collector of Taxes	2,000.00
Town Accountant	2,700.00
Registrars	500.00
Elections	1,000.00
Planning Board	300.00
Appeal Board	300.00
Building Inspector	900.00
Wire Inspector	900.00
Gas Inspector	500.00
Plumbing Inspector	500.00
Finance Committee	150.00
Town Counsel	500.00
Recreation Committee	1,050.00
Board of Health	4,000.00
Inspection of Slaughter	1,000.00
Inspection of Animals	50.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures	35.00
Dog Officer	70.00
Police	13,500.00
Forest Warden Fire Warden	11,360.00
Tree Warden	2,000.00
Moth Suppression	1,400.00
Dutch Elm Disease	2,000.00
Public Welfare Disability Assistance Aid to Dependent Children Old Age Assistance Medical Aid to Aged	12,000.00 605.00
Central Essex Welfare District Administration	
Veteran's Benefits	1,500.00

School	212,938.00
Regional District School	239,371.98
Selectmen's Highway Fund	2,000.00
Chapter 81 Maintenance	3,300.00
Snow Removal	21,000.00
Street Lighting	900.00
Vacation Account	1,200.00
Sick Benefit	250.00
Town Halls	2,000.00
Public Grounds	300.00
Town Forest	100.00
Civil Defense	400.00
Insurance	6,795.46
Memorial Day	525.00
Soldiers Graves	225.00
Mt. Vernon Cemetery	50.00
Harmony Cemetery	150.00
Boxford Village Cemetery	150.00
Town Reports	1,379.65
Clerical	1,500.00
Selectmen's Contingent Fund	700.00
Interest on Maturing Debt	4,905.00
School House Notes	31,000.00
Community House	300.00
TOTAL	$597,710.09

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, MAY 16, 1964

A special town meeting was held at the Harry Lee Cole School May 16, 1964 at 2:00 P.M. with William J. Greenler, Jr., presiding as moderator. After an opening prayer by the Rev. Arthur White, the articles of the warrant were acted upon as follows:

Article 1. Voted to appropriate the sum of $582.50 received as state aid for libraries, for the use of the public libraries of the town, said sum to be divided as follows: 60% to the library in the East Parish and 40% to the West Parish library.

Article 2. Voted to appropriate the balance of the funds received from the state under Chapter 822, Acts of 1963, for use of the highway department for the road repair and construction on Topsfield and Bare Hill Roads.

Article 3. Voted to reject the purchase of the Kelsey property offered for sale to the Town by voice vote.

Voted to adjourn at 3:00 P.M.

A True Record:

Attest:

E. LAURENCE COLBY,
Town Clerk

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, NOVEMBER 20, 1964

A special town meeting was held at the Harry Lee Cole School on Novembe 20, 1964 with 60 voters present. After a moment of silent prayer, the business meeting was conducted by William J. Greenler, Jr., the moderator. The articles of the warrant were handled as follows:

Article 1. Voted unanimously to appropriate $550.00 from Surplus Revenue to meet the State and County allotments for highways, the money, when reimbursed, to be credited to Surplus Revenue.

Article 2. Voted unanimously to appropriate $1,000.00 for the maintenance of Road Machinery, said amount to be transferred from the Road Machinery Fund.

Article 3. Voted unanimously to transfer the sum of $500.00 from Old Age Assistance for the purpose of taking the 1965 Census of the town as required under General Laws, Chapter 9, Section 7 and amendments thereof.

Article 4. Voted unanimously to make the following transfers of funds: $1,000.00 from Insurance to Selectmen's Highway Fund; $500.00 from Veteran's Benefits to Elections; $100.00 from Inspection of Slaughtering to Sick Benefits; $200.00 from Inspection of Slaughtering to Selectmen's Contingent Fund; $319.58 from Cole School Addition to New Elementary School; $1,226.98 from School Building Committee, 1961 Account, to New Elementary School; and $2,600.00 from School Building Committee Options to New Elementary School.

Article 5. Voted unanimously to elect only one Highway Surveyor at future town elections, who shall have jurisdiction over the territory of the entire town, under General Laws, Chapter 41, Sections 1 and 62, and any other pertinent sections.

Article 6. Voted, for highway purposes, to acquire an easement on an area of land on Middleton Road containing approximately 65,000 square feet owned by Mr. and Mrs. Dunbar Lockwood, and to appropriate the sum of $3,000.00 from the general highway fund for this purpose.

Article 7. Voted that the by-law committee be continued for the purpose of holding public hearings and report further at the next annual meeting.

Article 8. Voted to adjourn at 8:50 P.M.

A True Record:

Attest:

E. LAURENCE COLBY
Town Clerk

BIRTHS RECORDED IN 1964 IN BOXFORD

Date	Name	Parents
Jan. 5	Holly Anne Lee	Richard A. Lee Thorne E. Bateman
Jan. 9	Leslie Ann Oliver	Wallace Oliver Betty Wise
Jan. 24	Francis Joseph Weber, Jr.	Francis J. Weber, Sr. Marilyn J. Twiss
Feb. 7	Robert Cushing Coburn	Frank S. Coburn Barbara G. Knight
Feb. 8	Susan Carol Hagen	Richard B. Hagen Marjorie B. McKay
Feb. 16	Joyce Leslie Seymour	Lester L. Seymour, Jr. Ruth A. Larrabee
Feb. 26	Eric Whipple Hackley	Ralph M. Hackley Reba Sue Johnson
Mar. 2	Jennifer Grocott	John Grocott Judith Hawkes
Mar. 4	Melanie Risa Duncan	Stewart Duncan E. Indrani Ameresekere
Mar. 11	Maria Constance Barous	Francis A. Barous Carmen L. Dumond
Mar. 26	Anne Marie Kelley	Edgar L. Kelley Martha M. Lafabreque
Mar. 29	Kristin Jane Stromberg	James T. Stromberg Shirley E. Landergren
Mar. 31	Andrew David Peck	Jonathan Bosworth Peck Marian Ann Miller
Apr. 6	Douglas Scott Bartlett	David B. Bartlett Nancy Shillington
Apr. 17	Thomas Joseph Denney, Jr.	Thomas Joseph Denney Edith Wells Drexler
Apr. 28	Rose Mary Aulson	Michael Francis Aulson Patricia J. Chatel
May 14	Timothy Charles Kastrinelis	Peter L. Kastrinelis Barbara A. Adams

May 20	Valerie Jean McGregor	Gardner F. McGregor Louise Eldridge
May 24	Carolyn Jeanette White	Harold Addison White Marjorie Flint Alley
May 28	Jean Armstrong Eaton	Charles Freedom Eaton Gratia L. Hammesfahr
June 3	Bruce Edward Powers	Edward J. Powers Deborah Putnam
June 10	Matthew Alan Bugbee	Bruce. A. Bugbee Anne G. Harriss
June 12	Patrick John Creamer	John Robert Creamer Barbara Ann Buckley
June 14	Rosanna Theresa Guertin	Roger G. Guertin Olga R. Cipriano
June 17	Christian Lewis Clark	Lewis Robert Clark Joane Wilson
June 17	Julia Haynes	Rollin Frey Haynes Carolyn Caswell
June 21	Bradley Dustin Sill	Harold Dudley Sill Jaquelin Lucy Sanborn
July 3	Karen Marie Hill	Charles J. Hill Eileen R. Twohy
July 6	Alexandra Baker Stockwell	John Frederick Stockwell Dorothea C. Baker
July 16	Diane Carol Lincoln	Charles W. Lincoln Martha E. Ives
Aug. 4	Kristen Lee Wilder	Bruce L. Wilder Joan G. Barton
Aug. 20	Carl Kinder Borchert	Carl F. Borchert Karen G. Kinder
Aug. 27	Jane Seton Barry	Roger W. Barry Louise M. Mahoney

Oct. 10 —	Jennifer Elizabeth Hughes	Donald England Hughes Margaret Nicolous Bishop
Oct. 16 —	James David McGarr	David Edward McGarr Norma Elizabeth Winslow
Oct. 21 —	Susan Duryl Jelly	Donald Babson Jelly Sharon Ann Brackett

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN 1964 IN BOXFORD

Date	Names	Residence
Apr. 6 —	Dean Shattuck	E. Montpelier, Vt.
	Susan Morse	E. Montpelier, Vt.
Apr. 11 —	Bruce P. Wallace	Danvers
	Sandra J. Peterson	Boxford
June 6 —	Robert E. King	Amesbury
	Shirley May Holley	Boxford
June 14 —	Robert W. Carter	Topsfield
	Nancy Lord Roberts	Boxford
June 20 —	John Henry Green	Mount Holly, Vermont
	Ruth Ella Earle	West Boxford
June 21 —	Richard Eugene LaPlante	Lawrence
	Eleanor Asten (Swanson) Allen	Boxford
June 21 —	Walter Harris Corson II	Philadelphia, Pa.
	Sarah Peabody Lord	Boxford
June 27 —	Gordon R. Hemeon	Boxford
	Jo Anne Lorraine Knight	W. Peabody
July 18 —	Robert S. Weatherbee	Boxford
	Vivian A. Allinson	Plaistow, N.H.
Aug. 14 —	Frank M. Green	Boxford
	Judith E. Rollfs	Topsfield
Aug. 15 —	Randall Sargent Robinson	West Chester, Pa.
	Charlotte Upton Hitchcock	Boxford
Aug. 22 —	Richard Lawrence Milteer	W. Chesapeake, Va.
	Constance Blake	West Boxford
Sept. 19 —	Richard W. Pratt	West Boxford
	Bonnie Lee Bent	Stoneham

Sept.	19 —	James R. McHugh	Boxford
		Isabella O'Leary	North Andover
Oct.	4 —	William J. Greenler III	Boxford
		Claytona K. Baer	Lawrence
Oct.	17 —	John S. Swindell	Boxford
		Nancy K. Desmarais	Topsfield
Oct.	24 —	Robert Charles Richardson	Boxford
		Linda Lou Gaspar	Rowley
Dec.	5 —	John J. Andriotakis	West Newbury
		Lucy H. (Brown) Baker	West Newbury
Dec.	10 —	Walter M. Kimball	Topsfield
		Pamela M. Houldsworth	West Boxford

DEATHS RECORDED IN 1964 IN BOXFORD

Date		Name	Age		
Jan.	3 —	Betty Jean Gentile (Obear)	30	7	3
Jan.	29 —	Henry W. Blodgett	65	11	9
Feb.	6 —	Frank A. Andrew	84	—	—
May	28 —	Henry Hartman	66	—	—
June	11 —	Emma Somerville Lewis	95	—	7
July	17 —	Robert E. Munsell	50	4	20
Aug.	7 —	Margaret O'Rourke Costello	73	—	9
Aug.	19 —	Mary Stacy Holmes	89	—	13
Aug.	23 —	Stanley Nichols Preston	56	9	15
Oct.	1 —	Robert W. Broderick	83	—	—
Oct.	2 —	Alfred Laustsen	54	6	17
Oct.	11 —	Emma (Rullkoetter) Sierichs	73	1	29
Oct.	29 —	Albert Garland Gale	74	9	2
Nov.	8 —	Pearl A. (White) Wetmore	82	6	1
Nov.	19 —	Lucius C. Douglass	80	11	12
Nov.	29 —	Thomas H. Bonvie	88	—	28

FISH AND GAME LICENSES ISSUED IN 1964

110	Resident Fishing Licenses @ $4.25	$467.50
76	Resident Hunting Licenses @ $4.25	323.00
23	Sporting Licenses @ $7.25	166.75
17	Minor Fishing Licenses @ $2.25	38.25
16	Female Fishing Licenses @ $3.25	52.00
8	Non-Resident Fishing Licenses @ $8.75	70.00
1	Trapping License @ $7.75	7.75
2	Non-Resident Hunting Licenses @ $15.25	30.50
1	Archery Deer Stamp @ $1.10	1.10
	Total Receipts	$1,156.85
	Less Fees Retained by Town Clerk	63.35
	Remitted to Div. of Fisheries and Game	$1,093.50

DOG LICENSES ISSUED IN 1964

141	Males $2.00	$282.00
19	Females @ $5.00	95.00
101	Spayed Females @ $2.00	202.00
4	Kennels @ $10.00	40.00
3	Kennels @ $25.00	75.00
	Total Receipts	$694.00
	Less Fees to Town Clerk	67.00
	Remitted to Town Treasurer	$627.00

Respectfully submitted,

E. LAURENCE COLBY

Town Clerk

REPORT OF BOARD OF ASSESSORS

During the past year, the Board of Assessors has reviewed all of the real property in town, and based upon this review has affected a great number of changes of valuations. The field work covered a period of nearly four months, from March through July, and during this time the three members of the Board visited each parcel of property in town.

Under the newly enacted law providng for a $4000.00 exemption of real estate of certain persons over seventy years of age, 24 abatements were granted. A total of 26 abatements were granted under the provisions of the law applying to certain veterans and their widows.

The Board was pleased to announce that arrangements were complete with Robert B. Parkhurst, Civil Engineer, for the mapping of all property in the town. It is expected that this project will not be concluded for a considerable period of time due to the sizable amount of detailed work involved in research and in accurately plotting lot and boundary lines.

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, BOXFORD
1964 RECAPITULATION

A. CITY OR TOWN: Include All Appropriations Voted Since 1963 Tax Rate was Fixed.			
1. Total appropriations to be raised by taxation		$704,060.09	
2. Total appropriations voted to be taken from available funds: (a) In 1964 $79,711.69 (b) In 1963 since 1963 rate was fixed .	$ 5,916.03	85,627.72	$789,687.81
3. Amount certified by Treasurer for Tax Title foreclosure, $36.00 each (Chapter 60, § 50B)			
4. Debt and Interest Charges, matured and maturing, as certified under Chapter 44, § 16, NOT included above			
5. Amount necessary to satisfy final court judgments . . .			
6. Deficits due to abatements in excess of overlay of prior years:			
7. TOTAL DEFICITS TO BE CARRIED TO OUTSIDE COLUMN			5,638.64
8. Any other amount required to be raised:			
$ 155.00 Veteran's District			
5,483.64 Co. Ret. System			
	1964 Est. Col. 1 of Cherry Sh.	1963 Underest. Col. 2 of Cherry Sh.	
B. STATE: TAX AND ASSESSMENTS:			
1.			
2. State Parks and Reservations	$ 1,227.26	$ 113.30	
3. State Audit of Municipal Accounts	1,563.35		
4. State Examination of Retirement System			
5. Mosquito Control			
6. Gypsy and Brown Tail Moths			
7. Investigation of Veterans' Benefits			
8. Smoke Inspection Service			

	1964 Est. Col. 1 of Cherry Sh.	1963 Underest. Col. 2 of Cherry St.	
B. STATE: TAX AND ASSESSMENTS: (Continued)			
9. Excise Tax Bills	246.75		
10.			
11. SUM OF TOTALS TO BE CARRIED TO OUTSIDE COLUMN	$ 3,037.36	$ 113.30	3,150.66
C. COUNTY: TAX AND ASSESSMENTS:			
1. County Tax	$ 6,878.08		
2. County Hospital Assessment	983.99		
3.			
4. SUM OF TOTALS TO BE CARRIED TO OUTSIDE COLUMN	$ 7,862.07		7,862.07
D. OVERLAY of current year			16,544.13
E. GROSS AMOUNT TO BE RAISED			$822,883.31
F. ESTIMATED RECEIPTS AND AVAILABLE FUNDS			
NOTE.—The amount entered for each of the first four items must be exactly as certified by you.			
1. Income Tax		$ 65,183.42	
2. Corporation Taxes		10,638.81	
3. Reimbursement on account of publicly owned Land		1,698.47	
4. Old Age Tax (Meals), Chapter 64B, S 10 (Col. 3 of Cherry Sheet)		437.25	
5. Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise		70,000.00	
6. Licenses		4,300.00	
7. Fines		200.00	
8. Special Assessments			

9.	General Government	1,900.00
10.	Protection of Persons and Property	600.00
11.	Health and Sanitation	
12.	Highways	
13.	Charities (other than federal grants)	2,100.00
14.	Old Age Assistance (other than federal grants)	5,500.00
15.	Veterans' Services	290.00
16.	School (Funds from Income Tax not to be included)	24,800.00
17.	Libraries	
18.	Recreation	
19.	Public Service Enterprises (such as Water Department)	
20.	Cemeteries (other than trust funds and sale of lots)	
21.	Interest: On Taxes and Assessments $600.00 On Deposit $1,900.00 Total	2,500.00
22.	State Assistance for School Construction — Chapters 645, Acts of 1948	21,300.00
23.	Farm Animal Excise	145.00
24.		
25.		
26.		
27.		
28.	TOTAL ESTIMATED RECEIPTS	$211,592.95

29. OVERESTIMATES of previous years to be used as available funds
(Col. 4 of Cherry Sheet):

(a)	County Tax	$ 145.44
(b)		
(c)		

B. STATE: TAX AND ASSESSMENTS:	1964 Est. Col. 1 of Cherry Sh.	1963 Underest. Col. 2 of Cherry Sh.	

30. Amounts voted to be taken from available funds.

Amount	Date of Vote	Source of Funds
$ 122.05	June 19, 1963	Town Report Acct.
5,793.98	Nov. 22, 1963	Various Accts.
44,711.69	Mar. 2, 1964	Various Accts.
35,000.00	Mar. 2, 1964	Free Cash

31. SUM OF AMOUNTS TO BE CARRIED TO INSIDE COLUMN . .		85,627.72	
32. (Add Items 29 (a), (b), (c), and Item 31) . . TOTAL AVAILABLE FUNDS		$85,773.16	297,366.11
33. (Add Items 28 and 32) . . TOTAL ESTIMATED RECEIPTS AND AVAILABLE FUNDS			
G. (Item E Less Item F33) NET AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION ON PROPERTY			$525,517.20

H.

J. Total Personal Property	$ 527,425.00	TAX RATE	Personal Property Tax	$ 47,468.25
Valuation: Real Estate	5,311,655.00	$90.00 . .	Real Estate Tax	478,048.95
Total	$5,839,080.00			

K. (X) Gain or ( ) Loss (check which) to avoid fractional divisions of tax rate (adjust overlay),

L. (Item must be the same in Amount as Item G) TOTAL TAXES LEVIED ON PROPERTY $525,517.20

M. ITEMS NOT ENTERING INTO THE DETERMINATION OF THE TAX RATE

	Amount	Committed Interest	Total
1. Betterment and special assessments added to taxes:			
(a) Classified forest land	$36.90		$36.90
(b)			
(c)			
(d)			
(e)			
2. Water Liens added to taxes			36.90

3. Forest Products Tax $..... Ships or Vessels Excise $.....

N. (Sum of Totals of Items 1 (a) to (e), 2, and 3) TOTAL OF ALL OTHER COMMITMENTS $525,554.10

O. Total Amount of 1964 Taxes on Property and of Assessments added to Taxes as Committed to Collector

1964 Tax Rate fixed on June 9, 1964

Respectfully submitted,

CHESTER K. TWISS
J. WARREN CHADWICK
HARRY L. COLE

Board of Assessors

REPORT OF THE COLLECTOR OF TAXES

TAXES — 1959

Uncollected Jan. 1, 1964	$4.38	
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1964		4.38
	$4.38	$4.38

TAXES — 1960

Uncollected Jan. 1, 1964	$10.34	
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1964		$10.34
	$10.34	$10.34

TAXES — 1961

Uncollected Jan. 1, 1964	$22.09	
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1964		$22.09
	$22.09	$22.09

TAXES — 1962

Uncollected Jan. 1, 1964	$3,489.33	
Interest Collected	88.21	
Taxes Collected:		
Real Estate		$1,490.21
Personal Property		5.05
Motor Vehicle Excise		198.00
Interest		88.21
Abatements:		
Poll Tax		2.00
Motor Vehicle Excise		333.30
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1964		1,460.77
	$3,577.54	$3,577.54

TAXES — 1963

Uncollected Jan. 1, 1964	$49,830.23	
Motor Vehicle Excise Commitments	9,452.17	
Motor Vehicle Excise Refunds	961.63	
Interest Collected	590.56	
Taxes Collected:		
Poll Tax		$60.00
Real Estate		25,186.46
Personal Property		1,406.44
Classified Forest Land		24.24
Farm Animal Excise		54.50
Motor Vehicle Excise		22,407.32
Interest		590.56
Abatements:		
Poll Tax		2.00
Motor Vehicle Excise		3,707.11
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1964		7,395.96
	$60,834.59	$60,834.59

TAXES — 1964

Real Estate Commitments	$479,128.95	
Personal Property Commitment	47,468.25	
Classified Forest Land Commitment	36.90	
Farm Animal Excise Commitment	158.75	
Motor Vehicle Excise Commitments	78,368.05	
Real Estate Refunds	1,661.56	
Personal Property Refunds	13.50	
Motor Vehicle Excise Refunds	2,461.10	
Interest Collected	118.91	
Taxes Collected:		
Real Estate		$433,987.72
Personal Property		45,643.05
Classified Forest Land		31.95
Motor Vehicle Excise		67,673.86
Farm Animal Excise		100.38
Interest		118.91

Abatements:		
Real Estate		13,071.70
Personal Property		51.75
Motor Vehicle Excise		5,880.04
Transferred to Tax Title		5.40
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1964		42,851.21
	$609,415.97	$609,415.97

RECAPITULATION

Total Receipts from Taxes:	
Real Estate	$460,664.39
Personal Property	47,054.54
Poll	60.00
Classified Forest Land	56.19
Farm Animal Excise	154.88
Motor Vehicle Excise	90,279.18
Interest	797.68
	$599,066.86

Respectfully submitted,
FREDERICK A. SMALLMAN,
Collector

BOXFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY

East Parish

OFFICERS AND TRUSTEES

Winthrop P. Haynes, President
Milton E. Lord, Vice-President
Donald J. Anderson, Treasurer
Louise C. Watkins, Acting Secretary (resigned Oct. 1964)
Thomas E. Cargill, Jr. Arthur F. White
Seth L. Kelsey Margaret Lane (in absentia)
Catherine Thomas (elected Oct. 1964)
Jean Vint (elected October 1964)

LIBRARIANS

Bertha Perley Lucy K. Parkhurst

LIBRARY HOURS

Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday. 2:30-5:30 P.M.

There was a small increase in the utilization of library facilities in 1964.

The total circulation of books and periodicals was 11,141. Of this number 5,736 were adult books, 4,265 were juvenile books and 1,140 were periodicals. Many of the books circulated were made available to us through the bookmobile service from the state regional center in North Reading. The library purchased during the year 123 adult and 46 juvenile books, and had on order at the end of the year 70 books. Over 100 books were received as gifts.

During the year many children took part in the State Reading Certificate Program and 16 *Honor* certificates and 128 *Five Book* certificates were issued. National Book week was observed by holding a poster contest in the six elementary grades. A gift book prize was presented to the winners in each grade.

The library received by bequest from the will of Mrs. Mary Spring $1,000.

Mrs. John Q. Adams and Mrs. Carlyle Thomas, with the assistance of other Friends of the Library, added most effectively to our general fund through several book sales held on the library lawn or in the barn.

The exterior of the library building was painted, also the fence and signs and the barn. This expense was covered in part by the increased appropriation from the town and the remainder came out of the general fund.

In October Mrs. Watkins, who had been very active as Trustee and Secretary resigned and Miss Perley asked to be retired at the end of the year. The Trustees accepted these two resignations with deep regret. Two new trustees, Mrs. Thomas and Mrs. Vint, were elected at this meeting in early October.

On October 30th a joint meeting of the Trustees of the Boxford Village Library and the Catherine Ingalls Memorial Library was held at which it was agreed that a comprehensive survey should be made of Boxford current library facilities

with recommendations for future development. Subsequent meetings of representatives of the two libraries and of the School Committee were held during November which resulted in the selection of Miss Rita E. Steele, librarian of Fairhaven and Miss Miriam Putnam, librarian of Andover, to make the survey. Copies of their report with recommendations will be circulated before the Town Meeting next March.

The Librarians and Trustees wish to thank all who have contributed or assisted in the operation of our library during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

WINTHROP P. HAYNES,
President

CATHERINE INGALLS MEMORIAL LIBRARY

West Boxford, Massachusetts
Mrs. Alexander Price, President and Trustee
A. Gordon Price, Vice-President
Miss Ruby F. Nason, Secretary
Milton E. Prevost, Treasurer
Rolfe Y. Peterson, Trustee
John F. G. Eichorn, Jr., Trustee
Mrs. William E. Loughnane, Librarian

LIBRARY HOURS

Monday	7 P.M. — 9 P.M.
Wednesday	3 P.M. — 5 P.M.
	7 P.M. — 9 P.M.
Saturday	3 P.M. — 5 P.M.

Members of twelve new families requested library privileges in 1964 bringing our total number of borrowers to 270 adults and 275 young people. Circulation figures were:

Adult fiction	1,846
Adult non-fiction	1,152

Junior fiction	2,564
Junior non-fiction	548
Magazines	1,004
Paperback books	344
Total	7,458

This is an increase of nearly four percent over last year's circulation and represents an average of fourteen books for each eligible borrower.

More than one hundred books are loaned to us each month by the State Bookmobile and a substantial number of our own books were loaned to the Spofford Pond School to augment their new library.

341 books have been added to our shelves this past year. 117 new books were selected by the book purchasing committee and generous contributors gave 162 useful volumes. In April, a class for the study of selection of children's books, sponsored by the Division of Library Extension, was held in the Topsfield Library. Mrs. John Benson's participation in this course qualified our library to share in the state sponsored book grant and we received 60 volumes valued at approximately $180.00.

A portion of the proceeds from the Thrift Shop's closing-out sale, were used to purchase a new supply of plastic book covers.

The library continues to subscribe to fifteen periodicals and, in addition, a number of other magazines are given to the library regularly by outside sources.

The West Boxford Public Library Association extends its grateful appreciation to all who have contributed in any way to our library.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGARET L. LOUGHNANE,
Librarian

REPORT OF THE DOG OFFICER

There have been many calls by dog owners reporting their animals as missing.

It is suggested that the owners of female dogs keep them carefully locked up when they are in heat or send them to a kennel during these periods.

Nuisance complaints concerning stray dogs and cats have been taken care of, and where disposal has been indicated, that has been done. All money collected has been turned over to the Town Clerk. There are a few uncollected licenses.

Respectfully submitted,

GRACE L. GRAY,
Dog Officer

REPORT OF THE GAS INSPECTOR

18 Permits issued — Art. 4., Sec. 1 and 4
16 Permits issued — Art. 4., Sec. 2 and 3
1 Permit issued — Art. 4., Sec. 2

Respectfully submitted,

GARDNER W. STARRETT,
Gas Inspector

REPORT OF THE INSPECTORS OF SLAUGHTERING FOR THE YEAR 1964

EXAMINED				CONDEMNED	
Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Goats	Cattle	Calves
119	388	168	2	7	18

Respectfully submitted,

SAMUEL E. LAWES,
THOMAS H. BONVIE,
Inspectors of Slaughtering

REPORT OF THE BUILDING INSPECTOR

New Houses and Garages	58	Value	$1,305,190.00
Additions and Alterations	9	Value	20,844.00
Church Addition	1	Value	80,000.00
Garages and Misc. Bldgs.	14	Value	28,813.50
Greenhouse	1		
Swimming Pool	1		

This is 12 new houses more than in 1963 with a value of $384,090 more than in 1963.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY W. NASON,
Building Inspector

REPORT OF THE WIRE INSPECTOR

Report for the year 1964

Permits	141
Inspections	318
Receipts — Electrical Permits Jan. 1 - Dec. 31	$1,726.50

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT W. SPERRY,
Wire Inspector

REPORT OF THE PLUMBING INSPECTOR

Board of Health
Town Hall
Boxford, Mass.
Gentlemen:

Plumbing inspections started in the Town of Boxford in July of 1964.

Twenty permits were issued and twenty inspections were made during the last half of the year.

Seventeen were for new homes and the other three were for alterations and repairs.

Instigation of Plumbing rules and inspections have produced a marked improvement in the quality of the installa-

tions. This has been acknowledged by the building contractors as well as the plumbing contractors.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD R. GALLOWAY,
Plumbing Inspector

REPORT OF THE MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

Spraying was done in the Town for Dutch Elm Disease this year with a new spray called Methozyclor which is non-toxic.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT HEBB,
Superintendent

REPORT OF THE TREE DEPARTMENT

Clearing and trimming of trees has been done in town. Trees removed from the roadsides were approximately 26 large Maples and 10 Oaks and a small number of other types of trees.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT HEBB,
Tree Warden

REPORT OF DUTCH ELM DISEASE CONTROL

Thirty diseased Elm Trees were removed and burned this year. State Tree Crews were not needed.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT HEBB,
Moth Superintendent

REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Boxford Conservation Committee has held its meetings monthly throughout 1964 with the exception of December.

During the past year the Conservation Committee members have been asked by the Planning Board to attend a number of Appeal Board meetings and to make the Commission's attitude

known toward the removal of gravel and various other matters such as sub-divisions and the Camelot recreation area. Members of the Commission also met with other town bodies concerning several matters which might involve possible rezoning.

An invitation was received from the Georgetown Conservation Commission to attend their February meeting to discuss matters of mutual concern and to assist and advise them in establishing regulations concerning the operation of gravel pits. Boxford's successful handling of similar operations was studied and Dr. Winthrop Haynes toured the areas under consideration with the Georgetown Conservation members. A representative also attended the October meeting of the Ipswich Board at which time the Mosquito Control Project in Essex County was considered and discussed.

The Boxford Conservation Commission notified the State Representative of its opposition to the passage of Senate Bill 276 which, if enacted, would have rendered null and void much of the minimum lot size requirements in zoning ordinances and by-laws throughout the Commonwealth.

The resignation of Mr. Seth L. Kelsey, one of the Committee's original members, were accepted with regret and Mrs. Carlyle Thomas of Baldpate Road was appointed to fill the vacancy.

The Conservation Commission wishes to remind the citizens of the Town that they are authorized to accept and administer land given to the Town for Conservation Areas. Part of the Commission's duties are to locate and acquire, if possible, any marshlands and swampy areas bordering streams and ponds. The Commission would welcome the gift of any such areas.

Respectfully submitted,

WINTHROP P. HAYNES, Chairman
EDWARD L. FRENCH
STUART K. HARRIS
MRS. CARLYLE THOMAS
DOROTHY L. WOODBURY, Clerk
Conservation Commission

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

January 7, 1965

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Boxford
Boxford, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

The following is a report of the Police Department and the activities for the year 1964:

Classified:	
Court Cases	83
Hunting Complaints	14
Fires	45
Police Service	69
Arson	1
Camp Checks	78
Camp Breaks	2
Stolen Cars Recovered	3
Resuscitator	3
Drownings	1
Vagrants	2
Assault and Battery	3
Arrests	14
Missing Persons	17
Bomb Scare	3
Recovered Stolen Property (diff. cases)	14
Ambulance Calls	51
Motor Vehicle Accidents	76
Summons Served	91
House Breaks	23
Complaints Various	174
Pistol Permits	23
Larceny	31
Dog Complaints	26
House Checks	203
Malicious Destruction of Property	34
Disturbing the Peace	6

There were forty-two arrests made in town by the State Police during the year. All but three of these arrests were for Motor Vehicle violations.

A little history was made during the year in that on April 20, Douglas Warren of Topsfield was sworn in as the first full-time police officer for the Town of Boxford. Officer Warren served us well until September 8, when he affected his resignation to accept a position in Topsfield.

On October 2, David W. DiTomaso was sworn in as our second full-time officer. He comes from Middleton and, having spent four years with the State Police, is exceptionally well qualified.

George Inch resigned as a special police officer and Richard W. Pratt was sworn in to replace him.

The George H. Foster Co. of Beverly was the successful bidder for the 1964 Cruiser.

May I again respectfully request that all residents please notify this department when they intend to be away from home overnight or an extended vacation. It will help us to do our job a little better.

The regular patrols of the special officers have been increased to give added coverage during the nighttime hours.

Our sincere thanks to the Board of Selectmen, the Fire Department, and all other town agencies for their cooperation and assistance during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

NATHANIEL N. LOVE, JR.,
Chief of Police

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

It is no accident that Boxford's property values are substantially higher than most nearby communities — even after taking into account the larger lot size requirements.

Boxford stands out as a refreshing oasis in a vast stretch of towns which have been devoured by uncontrolled growth.

The Planning Board could not have set in motion those forces of control which prevented our town from a similar fate had it not been for the support of a majority of residents. Lately, another trend, undoubtedly the outgrowth of good zoning results, has become apparent. This is the move by some owners to control their subdivision more tightly above ground through the use of deed restrictions.

Growth continues to be orderly. The respite in construction may be traced, in part, to a sluggish housing market. In 10 meetings and two public hearings, two subdivisions were processed creating a total of 44 lots. Some 25 lots with frontage not requiring Planning Board approval were filed with the Board.

Activity is expected to quicken this year. The Board has had prelimnary discussions in which developers have indicated their intention to establish five subdivisions.

One big tract will probably dominate the development scene this year. That is the 396-acre Holmes Estate which is being marketed by the Museum of Fine Arts to which it was left under the will of Mrs. Holmes. The Board has been informed of plans for a golf course for this area, one of the most beautiful pieces of unspoiled woodland and pasture in the town. The Board has offered these principals every encouragement in the hope that such an improvement will be completed.

Both the Museum and the broker handling the negotiations have expressed a sensitivity for the town.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES L. COTTON, Chairman
CHARLES P. A. NELSON, Vice-Chairman
WARREN R. GODFREY, Clerk
WILLIAM E. DORMAN
J. WARREN CHADWICK
SIMEON S. PEARL
E. LAURENCE COLBY

Planning Board

REPORT OF NORTH ANDOVER-BOXFORD DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' SERVICES

The following services were performed by this Department during 1964:

Discharge (certified copy)	12
Discharge (recorded)	18
Photostats	325
Aid and Attendance Allowance	3
Loan Guaranty	12
Taxes	34
Annual Income Report	85
Compensation	12
Pension	34
Burial Allowance	27
Headstone	8
Medical and Dental	44
Hospitalization	12
Outpatient Treatment	15
Insurance	16
Power of Attorney	52
Miscellaneous	110

Respectfully submitted,

BERNARD W. BINGHAM,
District Director

REPORT OF NORTH ANDOVER AND BOXFORD DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS SERVICE

	N. Andover	Boxford	Total
Balance Carried over from 1963	$27.80	$6.42	$34.22
Appropriated in 1964, Section 11 Chapter 599, Acts of 1946 Raised by Assessors in 1964	1,105.00	155.00	1,260.00
	$1,132.80	$161.42	$1,294.22
Expended to Dec. 31, 1964 (A)	1,105.16	155.14	1,260.30
Balance, Dec. 31, 1964	$27.64	$6.28	$33.92

(A) Basis for apportionment Chapter 599, Acts of 1945
An act establishing the basis for apportionment of State and County Taxes.

North Andover	$9,386,690.00	.8769 per cent
Boxford	1,317,200.00	.1231 per cent

District Department of Veterans Service
JAMES J. MAKER,
District Treasurer

REPORT OF NORTH ANDOVER AND BOXFORD DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS SERVICE

Bernard W. Bingham, (Salary)	$1,200.00
New England Tel. & Tel. Co. (Services)	48.80
Veterans Information Service (Frank Ostlin Director)	9.00
Thomas J. McGrail, Jr. (District Treasurers Bond)	2.50
Total	$1,260.30

Respectfully submitted,
BERNARD W. BINGHAM,
Agent

REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Total runs made — 136.

Forest Warden		Fire Warden	
Woods	33	Cars and Trucks	4
Grass	15	Chimney	2
Dump	13	Houses and Camps	6
False Alarms	25	Ambulance runs	18
		Car accidents	7
		Drownings	1
		Bomb Scare	1
		Stove	1
		Lost child	1

In July the 1963 Cab and Chassis (Engine No. 3) were taken to Virginia to have the new tank and pump put on. It arrived back here the end of September. We held open house to all residents of Boxford to view the equipment that they authorized for purchase.

Again this year a number of men from the Department attended a Fire School in Fitzwilliam. All received diplomas.

The windows and fire escape were installed at West Boxford and toilet facilities at East Boxford.

Two more "dry hydrants" were installed, one at Spofford Pond and one at Martin's Pond on Mill Road.

May I repeat this year; — **All Open Fires** except incinerators require by law a **Written Permit.** This is to let the Fire Department know where and when you are burning. To obtain a permit call Chief Richard Cunningham 352-8529 or Capt. George Gould 887-2721. **Please do not call on red line for permits.** The red lines are for emergency **only.**

TO REPORT A FIRE:	East Boxford	887-2727
	West Boxford	372-7331

PLEASE STATE KIND OF FIRE. BE SURE TO GIVE YOUR NAME, STREET AND LOCATION AND **LET THE FIRE DEPARTMENT HANG UP FIRST.**

In closing I wish to express my sincere thanks to each one of my men for the excellent work they have done. Thanks also to the Selectmen, the Police Department, and all other Town Departments for their complete cooperation during this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

C. RICHARD CUNNINGHAM,
Chief of Fire Department

REPORT OF THE TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE

We have looked over the work done and the road from the Lakeshore entrance to the Oak Ridge road has been improved considerably. It has been widened in a number of places to allow fire trucks to get through. The culvert about midway has been built up and extended to take care of the larger fire trucks. The road has been widened in several places and considerable dead wood cut on either side of the road.

We would suggest to the Finance Committee $100.00 for the year 1965. The roads in the Town Forest are now in good condition and we may not need to use it but it will be well to have it on hand if needed.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER K. MORSS
WINTHROP P. HAYNES
ROBERT B. PARKHURST

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE RECREATION COMMITTEE

During 1964 the Recreation Committee has met regularly on the third Tuesday of every month.

The Committee initiated a very successful Fourth of July celebration under the direction of Mrs. Clayton Reed. This event was the result of the efforts of many volunteers representing most of the organizations in town. It is hoped that a similar project will be carried out in 1965.

A new ball field has been graded and seeded at the Spofford Pond School under the direction of the Recreation Committee. The ball field at the Gardner Morse School has been regraded and reseeded. These fields were both seeded in the late fall, and it is confidently expected that they will be ready for both Little League and Soft Ball Teams this Spring.

Arrangements have been made by the Committee to plow the basketball courts, thereby making these facilities useable year round.

Clearing of the ice on the Boy Scout Park skating areas continues to be a very difficult problem and has engaged the

committee's time for many hours. For 1964, a combination of volunteer and paid equipment and men was in force. The committee has tried to make arrangements to clear ice on Fowler's Pond in West Boxford.

The question of a town swimming area still remains of paramount importance to the Committee. It is to be hoped that the proposed swimming area on Baldpate Pond will materialize very soon.

The Committee has been approached on the feasibility of erecting tennis courts. As this is an expensive project, the Committee has delayed action pending a more complete over all plan of recreation in the town.

The Committee Chairman, Mrs. MacGill, has urged the Committee to make long range planning one of the first orders of business for the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

SHIRLEY MacGILL, Chairman
MARIAN COLBY, Secretary
GORDON PRICE
DAVID DOUGHTY
WILLIAM DAVIS

REPORT OF THE CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR

Gentlemen:

Civil Defense received, in 1964, 96 personnel dosimeters and Radiological Survey meters for use within the town.

Six dosimeters were issued to both Police and Fire Departments for their use.

Several meetings were attended at Sector 1E Headquarters during the year and weekly communicatons drills were held.

The cooperation of officials and departments is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully,

GORDON A. RUSSELL,
Director

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

The communicable diseases reported to the Board of Health during 1964 are as follows:

Diseases	No. of Cases
Measles	2
Mumps	4
Chicken Pox	2
Salmonellosis	2
Dog Bite	2
German Measles	21
Septic Sore Throat	1

As of July 1st Mr. Harold R. Galloway was appointed as Plumbing Inspector for the Town of Boxford, as required by law.

The Board of Health was represented at a District Mental Health Meeting at the King's Grant in Danvers on April 29th. Dr. Charles A. Kane of Boxford conducted this meeting which was attended by over 150 people from the North Shore area.

On May 6th a Rabies Clinic for dogs was held at the Town Hall at which time 74 dogs were inoculated.

Polio clinics were held at the Cole School on June 20th and August 15th.

Licenses were granted during the year as follows:

Recreational Camps	6
Slaughter	1
Milk Dealers	13
Milk Producers	1
Manufacturers of Ice Cream	1
Oleo	1

In our 1961 report mention was made of the fact that a case of rabies was reported in western Massachusetts, in which a bat had bitten a housewife. Since that time studies have been made by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, both by identification of rabies in bats which had bitten people and also by the collecting of bats in various localities and examining the brains for the presence of the rabies

virus. Since this first report 12 rabid bats have been identified. It is very important that everyone, especially children, should be cautioned against touching a bat which is found sitting still, particularly in the daytime. This indicates a sick animal and its whereabouts should be promptly reported to the Board of Health and careful means of capture instigated.

The little brown bat (Myotis lucifugus) and the big brown bat (Eptesicus fuscus) have both been identified as biting humans and carrying rabies. The first big brown bat was collected by the children of Dr. Charles Curtis of Topsfield, who pushed the animal into an empty peanut butter jar with a stick. Dr. Curtis took the bat to the State laboratories the next day and it was found to have rabies. About one year later another big brown bat was collected in Topsfield by the State in almost the same place where the first one was found. An excellent report on rabies in bats in southern New England is to be found in the "New England Journal of Medicine," Vol. 272 No. 2, January 14, 1965.

As noted in our first mention of this situation in 1961, "This does not mean that our populace should go around killing bats indiscriminately." It is very important for anyone who is bitten to try to capture the animal, which should then be given to the Board of Health so that it can be taken to the State laboratory in Jamaica Plain. In a personal communication Dr. Kenneth F. Girard, Assistant Director, Division of Diagnostic Laboratories, stated that no treatment should be instituted in a person who has been bitten and the animal retrieved until microscopic diagnosis has been made. This takes only about 24 hours with the newer fluorescent techniques.

If the bat is found to be rabid, treatment can then be instituted. If it is not rabid, the patient is spared the unpleasantness of 14 injections against rabies. Since the incubation period for rabies in the human is approximately 60 days from the time of being bitten, a slight delay in starting treatment is perfectly feasible.

The modern treatment uses vaccine obtained from the duck embryo, rather than the spinal cord of rabbits with an

attenuated virus, first developed by Louis Pasteur. The reactions are much less with the duck-embryo vaccine than with the older technique.

There have been no cases of rabies in the human in Massachusetts since 1935 and no rabid dogs have been found from 1949 to the present writing. In the case of dog bites the animal should not be killed but placed in quarantine for at least 10 days so that the evidence of disease has time to develop in the brain tissue.

Dr. Thomas A . Blackburn has been conducting rabies vaccinations for dogs and cats since 1961 and every owner of pets should have his animals vaccinated once a year.

The menace of bat rabies being transmitted to dogs or cats is a very real one. Late in 1964 it was reported that two skunks in the vicinity of Torrington, Connecticut were found to be positive for rabies. However, the danger of humans being bitten by skunks is probably remote. Foxes have also been found to carry the disease.

In our report for the year 1963 we recommend that the citizens take advantage of smallpox vaccination. There was no response to this but we hope the adult citizens of Boxford will indicate their desire for re-vaccination and the Board of Health will be glad to hold a free clinic for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

STEPHEN MADDOCK, M.D.
CHARLES H. PINKHAM, II
HARRY L. COLE
Board of Health

REPORT OF THE SANITARY ENGINEER

111 Collins Street
Danvers, Massachusetts
January 28, 1965

Honorable Board of Health
Town Hall
Boxford, Massachusetts
Gentlemen:

This is my report for the year 1964:

I completed 59 final inspections of sewage disposal systems at new locations. As far as reasonably possible, measures were instituted to assure that the wells in the area would not be polluted by a new source of contamination. One repair and alteration application was received.

Seven samples were obtained from sources of drinking water. They were found to be satisfactory. Also, five samples of swimming area water were tested and found to be free of dangerous contamination.

I inspected all recreational camps at least once, and some were inspected twice. Samples of their swimming areas are included in the above totals.

Inspections were made of several public places. This work had to do with food serving establishments, water supply, sewage disposal, and/or public complaints or inquiries.

Respectfully yours,

TRACY I. FLAGG, P.E.,
Sanitary Engineer

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

All categories of aid are under the direction of the Board of Public Welfare. Disability Assistance, Aid to Families with Dependent Children, Old Age Assistance and Medical Assistance for the Aged are administered by Mrs. Phyllis R. Brown, Director of the Central Essex Welfare District which includes Boxford, Middleton and Topsfield.

General Relief is administered by the Board of Public Welfare.

Applications for all categories of aid may be obtained at the Boxford Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY L. COLE
JOHN EVANS
CLAYTON B. LARRABEE
Board of Public Welfare

REPORT OF THE CENTRAL ESSEX WELFARE DISTRICT

Old Age Assistance	6
Medical Aid for the Aged	8
Disability Assistance	2
Aid to Families with Dependent Children	1

Boxford's case load remains small with the greatest number receiving Medical Aid to the Aged. Medical costs continue to rise as services are expanded, and more expensive to purchase. Hospital and nursing home rates have risen in 1964, and further increases can be expected in 1965.

Medical costs:

1961	1962	1963	1964
$8,187.57	$8,040.32	$9,628.41	$10,231.47

These figures show a slow but steady rise in cost in the past three years.

The most interesting development in the welfare field for 1964 has been the passage of the Economic Opportunity Act. To date much time has been spent implementing the provisions of the Act, and integrating it with other programs all ready law such as the Manpower Development and Training Act, and the Area Redevelopment Act.

Everyone should be concerned with the best utilization of all of our man, and brainpower. Small communities have a responsibility to see that young people are provided with educational, recreational, and job opportunities. Boxford all ready does an excellent job in these areas, but will be called upon in area consultation to realistically appraise, and work in these

areas. There is a challenge for us all, especially in the guidance, and support of our young people.

The District Office moved to new quarters at 10 Central Street, Middleton in October of 1964 and all of the townspeople who did not come to visit the office at open house are invited to come when they are in the area. We now have the room to provide privacy and services to the tri-town area.

The director wishes to thank all of the town officials, and the townspeople for their help and cooperation in the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

PHYLLIS R. BROWN,
Director

REPORT OF THE MORSE HOUSE COMMITTEE

During the spring of 1964 Mr. Arthur R. Beal of the Committee arranged for the casting of a bronze plaque which included the names of the nine Morse and Parker sons who served in the Civil War from this house.

Mr. Melvin W. Smallwood kindly carried out the transportation and placing of a large boulder upon the terrace at the site and also provided loam. The plaque was later set in the boulder by J. Kenneth Atwood of Haverhill.

The grounds were cleaned up by the Town Highway Department and an old well at the corner of the terrace was safely covered over.

Owing to the extreme drought conditions, which lasted all the summer and fall, no planting or landscaping of the area was attempted.

The West Boxford Village Improvement Association have kindly offered to assist in this final work of preparing the site and will attend to its maintenance. It is expected that the spring of 1965 will see the landscaping work completed, at which time some simple dedication exercises will be held.

Respectfully submitted,

WINTHROP P. HAYNES,
Chairman

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

1964 was a year of great accomplishment for the Highway Department. In the Spring the connecting link of Topsfield Road between the residence of David Doughty and Camp Columbus was rebuilt and covered with hot top material, thus completing the entire distance from Cross Road to the Boxford-Topsfield town line. Three sharp curves on Bare Hill Road south of Route 95 were cut back substantially, with the result that the vision is improved, thus decreasing the hazards of travel on this highway. This was made possible through the generosity of the Wheatland family of Topsfield, who were the abutting owners and who contributed the land for this road improvement.

The bridge on Brook View Road was rebuilt in a substantial manner.

The repairs on Towne Road, which were started in 1963, have been completed. This work was financed by private funds furnished by the developers of Arden Farms area.

After completing the annual resurfacing of roads under Chapter 81 Maintenance, an easement having been obtained for the land taking on Route 133, the Chapter 90 work started in 1963 was completed. No further work, under Chapter 90 Construction, on Washington Street is contemplated at this time.

Late in the year the town authorized the payment of $3,000.00 for land taking on Middleton Road, so that construction was started on a section of this highway.

Street and warning signs have been erected in various sections of the town as the need arose. In January legal traffic signs were installed on Topsfield Road, Elm Street, Georgetown Road and Routes 97 and 133.

In the Spring on "Clean-up Day" Lincoln Hall was painted by the Improvement Society, the Town furnishing the material Also, the front steps were repaired and railngs put up. In July and August the West Boxford Grange made extensive improve-

ments on the upper and lower floors and walls in Lincoln Hall. Material for this project was also furnished by the town.

Two applications of floor finish have been applied on the upper floor at the Town Hall to improve the conditions for the Jan Veen School of Dance.

Twelve new voting booths were purchased to bring the number to one for every 75 voters as required by law.

The Committee appointed to arrange for the participation of Boxford in the 325th Anniversary of our parent town, Rowley, prepared an historic float for the parade, but due to very inclement weather on August 22nd, felt it unwise to subject the costumes and documents to the rain, so did not send the float. The Fire Department sent several pieces of equipment and the Police Cruiser participated in the parade.

A hot-top drive was constructed on the side of the Town Hall and also an area next to the Boxford Fire House.

A boundary fence was constructed between the Cole School property owned by the town and the property of the French estate.

A substantial cover was constructed and placed over the old well on the Morse House property.

Street lists were made up and were available at a small charge.

Three Regional Planning Conferences were held during 1964, two in Haverhill City Hall for the Northeast area and a County wide meeting at the Salem Teacher's College, attended by about 300 people. These were primarily in connection with the transportation problem and a representative from this board was in attendance.

The electric street light west of the West Boxford Fire House was removed and a 7000 lumin light was installed on the post directly across from this building.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY L. COLE
JOHN EVANS
CLAYTON B. LARRABEE
Board of Selectmen

REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT

RECEIPTS FOR 1964

Frederick A. Smallman, Collector		
Taxes, current year:		
Real Estate	$433,987.72	
Personal Property	45,643.05	
		$479,630.77
Taxes, previous year:		
Real Estate	$26,676.67	
Personal Property	1,411.49	
Poll	60.00	
		$28,148.16
Motor Vehicle Excise:		
Levy of 1962	$198.00	
Levy of 1963	22,407.32	
Levy of 1964	67,673.86	
		$90,279.18
Classified Forest Land:		
Levy of 1963	$24.24	
Levy of 1964	31.95	
		$56.19
Farm Animal Excise:		
Levy of 1963	$54.50	
Levy of 1964	100.38	
		$154.88
Commonwealth of Massachusetts:		
For Highways:		
Chapter 81 Maintenance	$1,296.85	
Chapter 90 Maintenance	1,200.00	
Chapter 90 Construction	5,563.40	
Chapter 782, Acts of 1962	6,780.04	
Chapter 822, Acts of 1963	6,780.04	
		$21,620.33
For Education:		
School Aid, Chapter 69	$1,307.85	
U.S. Public Law No. 874	1,506.00	

National Defense Education — Title IIIA	403.37	
Chapter 70, School Aid	35,677.76	
Aid, School Construction	2,845.47	
Education and Transportation	20,270.60	
Vocational Education	330.20	
State Aid to Libraries	502.50	
School Aid	24,165.18	
Youth Service Counsellor	1,350.00	
		$88,358.93
For Taxes, etc.:		
Income Tax	$5,337.05	
Corporation Taxes	10,333.85	
Loss of Taxes	1,698.46	
Meal Tax, O.A.A.	622.10	
Civil Defense	.50	
School Lunch Program	4,837.02	
		$22,828.98
For Aid and Relief:		
Old Age Assistance	$2,623.71	
Old Age Assistance, U.S. Grant	3,728.00	
Aid to Dependent Children	1,115.64	
Aid to Dependent Children, U.S. Grant	922.50	
Disability Assistance	1,904.61	
Disability Assistance, U.S. Grant	1,521.00	
Medical Aid for Aged	2,174.58	
Medical Aid for Aged, U.S. Grant	3,001.91	
Veterans' Benefits	405.52	
		$17,397.47
County of Essex:		
For Highways:		
Chapter 90, Construction	$2,781.70	
Dog License Refund	511.69	
Dog Board Refund	15.00	
		$3,308.39

Trust and Investment Funds:		
Interest on School Funds	$190.81	
J. T. Barker Fund	1,200.00	
Stabilization Fund	2,000.00	
Rehabilitation Fund	300.00	
Sarah P. Perley Fund	274.50	
Boxford Visiting Nurse Fund	86.25	
Interest of Library Funds:		
East Parish	150.65	
West Parish	129.18	
		$4,331.39
Departmental Accounts:		
Old Age Assistance	$228.02	
Police	120.00	
Board of Health	2,117.50	
Appeal Board	180.00	
School	167.10	
Planning Board	240.00	
		$3,052.62
Licenses and Permits:		
Dogs	$632.25	
Slaughter	25.00	
Building and Sewerage	2,425.00	
Junk	7.00	
Revolver	46.00	
Gas	221.00	
Electrical	1,824.50	
Plumbing	179.00	
Oleo	.50	
Ice Cream	5.00	
Milk	6.00	
Recreational Camp	3.00	
Lord's Day	.50	
Salesman	2.00	
		$5,376.75

Unclassified:		
Interest on Deposits	$4,211.82	
Interest on Taxes	797.68	
Land Rent	10.00	
School Lunch Program	17,972.85	
County Retirement	3,135.35	
Federal Withholding Deductions	26,580.66	
State Withholding Deductions	3,019.77	
Rent of Town Halls	471.00	
Mass. Electric Co. for Trees	320.00	
Slaughter Inspection Refund	630.19	
Departmental Refunds	683.02	
Pay Station Commission	75.63	
Court Fines	400.00	
Street Lists	8.00	
Maps	5.75	
Stove	15.00	
Furnace	150.00	
		$58,486.72
TOTAL CASH RECEIPTS		$823,030.76

EXPENDITURES FOR 1964

General Government

Selectmen	$1,429.99
Board of Public Welfare	285.00
Assessors	2,396.76
Treasurer	604.10
Town Clerk	587.18
Accountant	2,677.55
Collector	1,774.55
Registrars	242.38
Elections	1,354.61
Town Counsel	500.00

Appeal Board	235.40	
Planning Board	319.00	
Building Inspector	900.00	
Wire Inspector	900.00	
Gas Inspector	213.50	
Finance Committee	15.00	
Recreation Committee 1963 Acct.	106.55	
Recreation Committee 1964 Acct.	638.75	
Assessors Maps	276.13	
Board of Health	3,804.47	
Inspector of Slaughtering	628.82	
Inspector of Animals	50.00	
Plumbing Inspector	179.00	
		$20,118.74

Protection of Persons and Property

Sealer of Weights and Measures	$35.00	
Dog Officer	65.00	
Police	13,697.34	
Speed Control Survey	294.55	
Police Cruiser	1,763.00	
Fire Warden	11,098.44	
Tree Warden	2,000.00	
Moth Suppression 1963 Acct.	208.00	
Moth Suppression 1964 Acct.	1,408.03	
Dutch Elm Disease Control 1963	110.00	
Dutch Elm Disease Control 1964	2,020.05	
New Fire House — East Parish	128.14	
New Fire House — West Parish	12.00	
"Dry Hydrants" — Fire Department	695.80	
Fire Department Tanker	8,000.00	
West Boxford and East Boxford Fire Stations	967.28	
		$42,502.63

Aid and Relief

Public Welfare	$121.39
Disability Assistance	3,500.00

Disability Assistance, U.S. Grant	768.57	
Old Age Assistance, U.S. Grant	7,376.59	
Aid to Dependent Children	2,794.39	
Aid to Dependent Children, U.S. Grant	339.35	
Medical Aid to Aged	4,646.61	
Medical Aid to Aged, U.S. Grant	2,692.31	
Veterans' Benefits	911.30	
Central Essex Welfare District Admin.	604.90	
Sarah P. Perley Fund	274.50	
Boxford Visiting Nurse Fund	86.25	
		$24,316.16

Schools and Libraries

School Department	$212,899.78	
School Bldg. Comm. — 1962 Acct.	119.90	
School — 1963 Account	751.38	
Spofford Pond School Ball Field	2,200.00	
School Lunch Program	22,559.03	
New Elementary School	170,533.73	
Regional District School	239,371.98	
East Parish Library	1,707.99	
West Parish Library	1,592.88	
		$651,736.67

Highways

Bare Hill Road — Chapter 782	$777.55
Bare Hill Road — Chapter 822	666.78
Chapter 81 — Maintenance	21,111.70
Chapter 90 Construction — '63 Acct.	22,877.93
Chapter 90 Construction	1,054.45
Towne Road	373.88
Wood Hill Lane	657.56
Highways and Bridges, Selectmen's Fund	5,909.90
Snow Removal and Sanding	20,806.75
Road Machinery Maintenance	2,124.60
Chapter 90 Maintenance	4,309.26

Street Lighting	898.28	
Vacation Account	1,100.40	
Sick Benefit	288.00	
		$82,957.04

Unclassified

Town Halls	$2,010.34
Public Grounds	254.45
Insurance	5,013.17
Town Forest	100.00
Memorial Day	525.00
Soldiers' Graves	200.00
Harmony Cemetery	150.00
Boxford Village Cemetery	150.00
Mt. Vernon Cemetery	50.00
Clerical	1,496.27
Community House	65.96
Morse House	255.23
Conservation Fund	3,000.00
Excise Tax Bills	246.75
Town Reports	1,379.65
Civil Defense	233.55
Selectmen's Contingent Fund	1,127.22
Veterans' Service District	155.00
State Parks and Reservations	1,126.21
Essex Sanatorium	983.99
County Tax	7,026.38
County Retirement System	5,483.64
Federal Withholding Deductions	26,580.66
State Withholding Deductions	2,983.86
County Retirement Deductions	3,135.35
State Audit	1,563.35
Stabilization Fund	100,000.00
Motor Vehicle Excise Refunds	3,422.73
Real Estate Tax Refund	1,661.56
Dog Licenses to County	632.25

Principal and Interest on Maturing Debt	35,530.00	
Personal Property Tax Refund	13.50	
		$206,556.07
TOTAL CASH PAYMENTS		$1,028,187.31

BALANCE SHEET

December 31, 1964

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

ASSETS

Cash: General		$199,081.88
Accounts Receivable:		
Taxes:		
Levy of 1959		
Real Estate		4.38
Levy of 1960		
Real Estate		10.34
Levy of 1961		
Real Estate		22.09
Levy of 1962		
Real Estate	$821.64	
Personal Property	303.00	
		1,124.64
Levy of 1963		
Poll	$24.00	
Real Estate	5,329.71	
Personal Property	222.20	
		5,575.91
Levy of 1964		
Real Estate	$33,725.69	
Personal Property	1,786.95	
		35,512.64
Classified Forest Land:		
Levy of 1964		4.95
Farm Animal Excise:		
Levy of 1964		58.37
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:		
Levy of 1962	$336.13	
Levy of 1963	1,820.05	
Levy of 1964	7,275.25	
		9,431.43

Departmental:		
Aid to Dependent Children	$301.22	
Veterans' Services	159.32	
Snow Removal	434.25	
		894.79
Tax Title		54.53
State and County Aid to Highways		21,804.90
Underestimate:		
County Tax		148.30
		$273,729.15

DEBT ACCOUNT

Net Funded or Fixed Debt	$144,000.00

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Trust Funds, Cash and Securities	$232,272.63

LIABILITIES

Reserve until Collected:		
Tax Title	$54.53	
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise Revenue	9,431.43	
Departmental Revenue	894.79	
Special Assessment Revenue	63.32	
State and County Aid to Highway Revenue	21,804.90	
		$32,248.97
Overlay Reserved for Abatement of Taxes:		
Levy of 1959	$4.38	
Levy of 1960	10.34	
Levy of 1961	22.09	
Levy of 1962	1,124.64	
Levy of 1963	5,575.91	
Levy of 1964	3,420.68	
		10,158.04

Overlay Surplus, Reserve		54,735.24
Excess and Deficiency		87,826.03
Appropriation Accounts:		
Goodwin Plans — 1954 Account	$100.00	
Assessors' Maps	9,723.87	
Recreation Committee	411.25	
East and West Parish Fire Stations	32.72	
Bare Hill Road	2.49	
Chapter 90 Construction — 1964	20,545.55	
School	43.72	
School Building Committee — 1962 Acct.	438.48	
New Elementary School	812.98	
Census	500.00	
		32,611.06
U.S. Grants:		
Disability Assistance	$5,324.35	
Aid to Dependent Children	5,707.30	
Old Age Assistance	8,791.26	
Medical Aid to Aged	7,822.85	
School Aid — Public Law 874	11,596.80	
School Aid — National Defense	430.96	
		39,673.52
Road Machinery Fund	4,732.24	
School Lunch Program	4,877.16	
J. T. Barker Fund	6,500.00	
Civil Defense	221.07	
Morse House	44.77	
		16,375.24
Overestimate:		
State Parks and Reservations		101.05
		$273,729.15

DEBT ACCOUNT

School Loans	$144,000.00

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

LIABILITIES

Town Farm Fund	$45,643.58	
Post-War Rehabilitation Fund	5,196.04	
Sarah P. Perley Fund	2,170.86	
Curtis-Killam Burial Lot Fund	377.39	
East Parish Library	3,500.00	
West Parish Library	3,000.00	
East Parish Library Cote Fund	1,346.80	
Boxford Visiting Nurse Association	1,293.78	
Town School Fund	4,500.00	
Stabilization Fund	162,176.68	
Conservation Fund	3,067.50	
		$232,272.63

DETAIL OF EXPENDITURES FOR 1964

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Selectmen

Appropriation		$1,450.00
Salaries, Selectmen	$1,352.00	
Office Expense	33.99	
State and County Association Dues	44.00	
Total Expenditures	$1,429.99	
Balance to Revenue	20.01	
	$1,450.00	$1,450.00

Board of Public Welfare

Appropriation		$300.00
Salaries, Board of Public Welfare	$285.00	
Total Expenditure	$285.00	
Balance to Revenue	15.00	
	$300.00	$300.00

Board of Assessors

Appropriation		$2,400.00
Salaries, Board of Assessors	$1,840.00	
Clerical	350.00	
Abstracts	120.35	
Office Supplies	74.41	
State and County Association Dues	12.00	
Total Expenditures	$2,396.76	
Balance to Revenue	3.24	
	$2,400.00	$2,400.00

Assessors' Maps

Appropriation		$10,000.00
Clerical	$160.13	
Maps	116.00	
Total Expenditures	$276.13	
Balance to 1965	9,723.87	
	$10,000.00	$10,000.00

Treasurer

Appropriation		$700.00
Salary, Treasurer	$400.00	

Bond	124.80	
Office Supplies	70.90	
Rent, Safety Deposit Vault	4.40	
State Associaton Dues	4.00	
Total Expenditures	$604.10	
Balance to Revenue	95.90	
	$700.00	$700.00

Town Clerk

Appropriation		$600.00
Services, Town Clerk	$422.00	
Bond	10.00	
Clerical	7.00	
Office Expense	140.68	
Association Dues	7.50	
Total Expenditures	$587.18	
Balance to Revenue	12.82	
	$600.00	$600.00

Collector

Appropriation		$2,000.00
Salary, Collector	$1,200.00	
Bonds	193.20	
Office Expense	363.35	
State Association Dues	4.00	
Deputy Collector	14.00	
Total Expenditures	$1,774.55	
Balance to Revenue	225.45	
	$2,000.00	$2,000.00

Accountant

Appropriation		$2,700.00
Salary, Accountant	$2,000.00	
Office Expense	257.29	
Clerical	420.26	
Total Expenditures	$2,677.55	
Balance to Revenue	22.45	
	$2,700.00	$2,700.00

Town Counsel

Appropriation		$500.00
Salary, Town Counsel	$500.00	
	$500.00	$500.00

Finance Committee

Appropriation		$150.00
Association Dues	$15.00	
Balance to Revenue	135.00	
	$150.00	$150.00

Registrars

Appropriation		$500.00
Salaries, Board of Registrars	$224.00	
Clerical	18.38	
Total Expenditures	$242.38	
Balance to Revenue	257.62	
	$500.00	$500.00

Elections

Appropriation		$1,000.00
Transfer from Veterans' Benefits		500.00
Refunds		10.50
Services, Town Clerk	$124.25	
Election Officers	773.56	
Voting Booths	219.00	
Printing	222.80	
Miscellaneous	15.00	
Total Expenditures	$1,354.61	
Balance to Revenue	155.89	
	$1,510.50	$1,510.50

Appeal Board

Appropriation		$300.00
Refund		21.00
Advertising	$112.00	
Office Expense	123.40	
Total Expenditures	$235.40	
Balance to Revenue	85.60	
	$321.00	$321.00

Planning Board

Appropriation		$300.00
Transfer from Reserve		19.00
Advertising	$60.00	
Eliot	159.00	
R. M. Bradley	100.00	
Total Expenditures	$319.00	$319.00

Recreation Committee — 1963 Account

Balance from 1963		$522.00
Equipment Rental	$77.00	
Electricity	29.55	
Total Expenditures	$106.55	
Balance to Revenue	415.45	
	$522.00	$522.00

Town Recreation Committee

Appropriation		$1,050.00
Ballfields:		
Morse	$109.25	
Spofford	467.50	
Grass Seed	42.00	
Nets	6.50	
Electricity	13.50	
Total Expenditures	$638.75	
Balance to 1965	411.25	
	$1,050.00	$1,050.00

Building Inspector

Appropriation		$900.00
Services, Building Inspector	$850.00	
Office Expense	50.00	
	$900.00	$900.00

Wire Inspector

Appropriation		$900.00
Services, Wire Inspector	$446.00	
Office Expense	200.00	
Mileage	254.00	
	$900.00	$900.00

Plumbing Inspector

Appropriation		$500.00
Services, Plumbing Inspector	$179.00	
Balance to Revenue	321.00	
	$500.00	$500.00

Gas Inspector

Appropriation		$500.00
Services, Gas Inspector	$213.50	
Balance to Revenue	286.50	
	$500.00	$500.00

HEALTH AND SANITATION

Board of Health

Appropriation		$4,000.00
Salaries, Board of Health	$248.50	
Services, Sanitary Engineer	1,080.00	
Services, Dump Caretaker	1,635.00	
Maintenance of Dump	535.00	
Supplies	67.50	
Rubbish Collection	19.20	
Clinic	22.77	
Transportation	10.00	
Postage	2.25	
Association Dues	6.00	
Septic System	178.25	
Total Expenditures	$3,804.47	
Balance to Revenue	195.53	
	$4,000.00	$4,000.00

Inspectors of Slaughtering

Appropriation		$1,000.00
Salaries, Inspectors of Slaughtering	$628.82	
Transfer to Sick Benefit	100.00	
Transfer to Selectmen's Contingent Fund	200.00	
Total Expenditures	$928.82	
Balance to Revenue	71.18	
	$1,000.00	$1,000.00

Inspector of Animals

Appropriation		$50.00
Salary, Inspector of Animals	$50.00	
	$50.00	$50.00

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Appropriation		$35.00
Salary, Sealer	$35.00	
	$35.00	$35.00

Dog Officer

Appropriation		$70.00
Refund from Essex County		15.00
Salary, Dog Officer	$50.00	
Board and Disposal of Stray Dogs	15.00	
Total Expenditures	$65.00	
Balance to Revenue	20.00	
	$85.00	$85.00

Police

Appropriation		$13,500.00
Transfer from Reserve		197.34
Labor	$10,321.21	
Insurance	300.00	
Equipment	383.20	
Telephone	408.01	
Repairs	576.92	
Gasoline and Oil	1,192.18	
Supplies	419.52	
Mileage	48.80	
Fuel	38.55	
Miscellaneous	9.00	
Total Expenditures	$13,697.34	$13,697.34

Fire Warden

Appropriation		$11,360.00
Salaries	$1,020.00	
Labor	3,468.50	
Equipment	3,325.16	
Repairs	970.23	
Telephones	845.99	
Fuel	495.68	
Electricity	373.29	
Supplies	191.39	
Gasoline and Oil	408.20	
Total Expenditures	$11,098.44	
Balance to Revenue	261.56	
	$11,360.00	$11,360.00

West Boxford and East Boxford Fire Stations

Appropriation		$1,000.00
Carpenter	$500.00	

Plumber	250.00	
Septic System	200.00	
Lumber	17.28	
Total Expenditures	$967.28	
Balance to 1965	32.72	
	$1,000.00	$1,000.00

New Fire House — East Parish

Balance from 1963		$128.14
Lumber	$19.70	
Carpenter	108.44	
	$128.14	$128.14

Fire Department "Dry Hydrants"

Appropriation		$1,000.00
Dry Hydrants	$695.80	
Balance to Revenue	304.20	
	$1,000.00	$1,000.00

New Fire House — West Parish

Balance from 1963		$20.74
Electrical Work	$12.00	
Balance to Revenue	8.74	
	$20.74	$20.74

Tree Warden

Appropriation		$2,000.00
Labor	$369.00	
Trucks	316.00	
Power Saw	181.00	
Supplies	15.00	
Contract Work	1,119.00	
Total Expenditures	$2,000.00	$2,000.00

Moth Suppression

Appropriation		$1,400.00
Transfer from Reserve		8.03
Spraying	$375.00	
Skyworker	80.00	
Supplies	546.15	
Labor	214.88	
Trucks	128.00	
Power Saw	64.00	
Total Expenditures	$1,408.03	$1,408.03

Moth Suppression — 1963 Account

Balance from 1963		$213.10
Skyworker	$208.00	
Balance to Revenue	5.10	
	$213.10	$213.10

Dutch Elm Disease Control

Appropriation		$2,000.00
Transfer from Reserve		20.05
Labor	$344.80	
Power Saw	147.00	
Trucks	330.00	
Bulldozer	293.75	
Contract Work	904.50	
Total Expenditures	$2,020.05	$2,020.05

Dutch Elm Disease Control — 1963 Account

Balance from 1963		$112.05
Labor	$36.00	
Truck	10.00	

Skyworker	64.00	
Total Expenditures	$110.00	
Balance to Revenue	2.05	
	$112.05	$112.05

Speed Control Survey

Balance from 1963		$329.02
Labor	$169.80	
Trucks	42.75	
Compressor	80.00	
Bolts	2.00	
Total Expenditures	$294.55	
Balance to Revenue	34.47	
	$329.02	$329.02

CHARITIES, AID AND VETERANS' BENEFITS

Public Welfare

Appropriation		$1,500.00
Cash	$108.50	
Fuel	12.89	
Total Expenditures	$121.39	
Transfer to M.A.A.	1,378.61	
	$1,500.00	$1,500.00

Old Age Assistance

Appropriation		$1,000.00
Transfer to Census	$500.00	
Transfer to M.A.A.	500.00	
	$1,000.00	$1,000.00

Old Age Assistance, U. S. Grant

Balance from 1963		$12,331.25
Federal Grants		3,728.00
Refunds		108.60
Cash	$7,337.94	
Other Cities and Towns	38.35	
Balance to 1965	8,791.56	
	$16,167.85	$16,167.85

Aid to Dependent Children

Appropriation		$3,000.00
Refund		83.15
Cash	$2,794.39	
Transfer to M.A.A.	288.76	
	$3,083.15	$3,083.15

Aid to Dependent Children, U. S. Grant

Balance from 1963		$5,124.15
Federal Grants		922.50
Cash	$339.35	
Balance to 1965	5,707.30	
	$6,046.65	$6,046.65

Disability Assistance

Appropriation		$3,500.00
Cash	$3,500.00	
	$3,500.00	$3,500.00

Disability Assistance, U. S. Grant

Balance from 1963	$4,771.92
Federal Grants	1,521.00

Cash	$968.57	
Balance to 1965	5,324.35	
	$6,292.92	$6,292.92

Medical Aid for the Aged

Appropriation		$3,000.00
Refund		15.00
Transfers		2,167.37
Cash	$4,646.61	
Balance to Revenue	535.76	
	$5,182.37	$5,182.37

Medical Aid for the Aged, U. S. Grant

Balance from 1963		$7,513.25
Federal Grants		3,001.91
Cash	$2,692.31	
Balance to 1965	7,822.85	
	$10,515.16	$10,515.16

Central Essex Welfare District Administration

Appropriation		$605.00
Welfare District Expense	$604.90	
Balance to Revenue	.10	
	$605.00	$605.00

Veterans' Benefits

Appropriation		$1,500.00
Cash	$520.50	
Medical	390.80	
Total Expenditures	$911.30	
Transfer to Elections	500.00	
Balance to Revenue	88.70	
	$1,500.00	$1,500.00

HIGHWAYS

Highways and Bridges — Selectmen's Fund

Appropriation		$2,000.00
Transfer from Insurance		1,000.00
Transfer from Reserve		3,000.00
Labor	$258.65	
Trucks	207.00	
Loader	67.00	
Back Hoe	20.00	
Sand and Gravel	1,142.20	
Salt	470.79	
Skyworker	576.00	
Land Taking	3,000.00	
Beams	100.00	
Signs	37.42	
Patch	17.64	
Cement	13.20	
Total Expenditures	$5,909.90	
Balance to Revenue	90.10	
	$6,000.00	$6,000.00

Chapter 90 — Construction, Washington Street — 1963

Balance from 1963		$16,859.59
Chapter 782		6,000.00
Refund		30.34
Labor	$5,206.74	
Trucks	2,020.25	
Tractor	489.00	
Bulldozer	1,020.00	
Shovel	852.00	
Backhoe	800.00	
Grader	821.00	
Power Saw	58.00	

Compressor	25.00	
Hot Top	5,949.63	
Sand and Gravel	1,209.28	
Guard Rail	1,907.50	
Pipe	1,321.38	
Catch Basins	679.35	
Signs	90.20	
Curb	337.00	
Rods	26.72	
Torches	60.68	
Grass Seed	4.20	
Use of Town Tools	12.00	
Total Expenditures	$22,889.93	$22,889.93

Towne Road

Balance from 1963		$373.88
Labor	$187.00	
Trucks	85.28	
Back Hoe	20.00	
Loader	33.00	
Lumber	45.22	
Stain	3.38	
	$373.88	$373.88

Wood Hill Lane

Balance from 1963		$657.56
Oil	$293.26	
Sand and Gravel	208.95	
Hot Top	97.75	
Guard Rail	57.60	
	$657.56	$657.56

Chapter 81 — Maintenance

Appropriation	$3,300.00

State Allotment		18,150.00
Labor	$8,712.05	
Trucks	2,684.25	
Shovel	1,056.00	
Loader	383.01	
Grader	357.00	
Backhoe	73.00	
Tractors	195.00	
Power Saw	4.00	
Sand and Gravel	1,946.97	
Oil	4,763.21	
Patch	872.20	
Tools	47.01	
Bulldozer	18.00	
Use of Town Tools	338.30	
	$21,450.00	$21,450.00

Bare Hill Road — Chapter 782

Balance from 1963		$780.04
Labor	$150.80	
Trucks	269.00	
Shovel	336.00	
Loader	9.00	
Chloride	12.75	
Total Expenditures	$777.55	
Balance to 1965	2.49	
	$780.04	$780.04

Bare Hill Road — Chapter 822

Allotment — Chapter 822		$670.78
Labor	$66.80	
Trucks	24.75	
Oil	460.48	
Gravel	114.75	

Use of Town Tools	4.00	
	$670.78	$670.78

Chapter 90 — Construction

Washington Street and Middleton Road

State Allotment		$10,800.00
County Allotment		5,400.00
Appropriation		5,400.00
Labor	$357.45	
Trucks	13.50	
Bulldozer	96.00	
Loader	18.00	
Power Saw	26.00	
Gravel	543.50	
Total Expenditures	$1,054.45	
Balance to 1965	20,545.55	
	$21,600.00	$21,600.00

Chapter 90 — Maintenance

State Allotment		$1,200.00
Appropriation		2,400.00
Chapter 822 Funds		709.26
Labor	$673.05	
Trucks	186.75	
Grader	206.00	
Loader	189.00	
Power Saw	2.00	
Hot Top	2,113.76	
Gravel	938.70	
	$4,309.26	$4,309.26

Snow Removal and Sanding

Appropriation		$21,000.00
Transfer from Reserve		2,313.75
Labor	$6,843.00	
Trucks	2,486.50	
Trucks and Plows	3,570.00	
Sanders	877.50	
Loaders	818.00	
Sand	1,765.61	
Salt	3,694.22	
Equipment	327.60	
Sand Depot	424.32	
Use of Town Tools	2,507.00	
	$23,313.75	$23,313.75

Road Machinery Maintenance

Transfers from Road Machinery Fund		$2,500.00
Labor	$152.05	
Gasoline, Oil and Kerosene	200.55	
Repairs	1,435.67	
Equipment	120.01	
Light	12.39	
Tools	14.00	
Lumber, Paint, etc.	57.37	
Fuel	153.90	
Tractor	9.00	
Total Expenditures	$2,154.94	
Balance to Road Machinery Fund	345.06	
	$2,500.00	$2,500.00

Street Lighting

Appropriation		$900.00
Street Lights	$898.28	

Balance to Revenue	1.72	
	$900.00	$900.00

Highway Vacation Account

Appropriation		$1,200.00
Vacation Payrolls	$1,100.40	
Balance to Revenue	99.60	
	$1,200.00	$1,200.00

SCHOOLS AND LIBRARIES

All Schools

Appropriation		$212,938.00
Refund		5.50
Teachers' Salaries:		
School Teachers	$117,848.14	
Substitutes	3,287.66	
Supervisory	18,855.79	
Superintendence:		
Salary	4,801.44	
Clerks	4,635.90	
Expense	371.46	
Health:		
Nurse	1,185.60	
Physician	470.00	
Supplies	25.31	
Tuition	1,322.75	
Transportation	25,923.60	
Miscellaneous:		
Janitors	9,988.96	
Attendance Officers	10.00	
Committee Expense	142.25	
Books	4,159.17	

Supplies	2,147.82	
Fuel	4,570.05	
Electricity	3,218.14	
Telephones	490.00	
Repairs	2,103.03	
Cleaning	140.00	
Census	100.00	
Official Expense	263.45	
Supervisors' Expense	329.50	
Insurance	3,488.54	
Janitor's Supplies	2,056.90	
Grounds	96.19	
Guidance	164.79	
Music	95.00	
Moving Furniture	92.19	
Equipment	268.15	
Rubbish Collection	248.00	
Total Expenditures	$212,899.78	
Carried to 1965	43.72	
	$212,943.50	$212,943.50

School — 1963 Account

Balance from 1963		$751.38
Repairs	$515.13	
Equipment	236.25	
	$751.38	$751.38

School Building Committee — 1961 Account

Balance from 1963		$1,226.98
Transfer to New Elementary School	$1,226.98	
	$1,226.98	$1,226.98

School Building Committee — 1962 Account

Balance from 1963		$558.38
Clerical	$48.50	
Postage	33.55	
Advertising	23.50	
Office Expense	14.35	
Total Expenditures	$119.90	
Balance to 1965	438.48	
	$558.38	$558.38

New Elementary School

Balance from 1963		$166,989.57
Transfers		4,146.56
Refunds		211.38
Contractor	$135,453.69	
Architect	2,759.60	
Hardware	4,954.00	
Equipment	10,294.49	
Furniture	11,860.56	
Bookcases	1,402.00	
Library Books	1,302.46	
Janitor's Supplies	1,054.96	
Health Supplies	296.12	
Grounds	890.00	
Insurance	230.73	
Electricity	35.92	
Total Expenditures	$170,534.53	
Balance to 1965	812.98	
	$171,347.51	$171,347.51

Spofford Pond School Ball Field

Appropriation		$2,200.00
Advertising	$2.50	
Clearing	990.00	
Loam	810.00	
Lawn Construction	397.50	
	$2,200.00	$2,200.00

Cole School Addition

Balance from 1963		$319.58
Transfer to New Elementary School	$319.58	
	$319.58	$319.58

School Lunch Program

Balance from 1963		$4,618.82
State Grants		4,837.02
Cash		17,972.85
Refund		7.50
Salaries	$7,459.85	
Food	13,915.20	
Equipment	40.00	
Repairs	21.00	
Supplies	53.44	
Transportation	600.00	
Gas	460.29	
Miscellaneous	9.25	
Total Expenditures	$22,559.03	
Balance to 1965	4,877.16	
	$27,436.19	$27,436.19

Regional District School

Appropriation		$239,371.98
Masconomet Regional District School	$239,371.98	
	$239,371.98	$239,371.98

East Parish Library

Appropriation		$1,000.00
Half Dog Licenses Refund from County		255.84
60% State Aid to Public Libraries		301.50
Interest — Invested Funds		150.65
Operation Expense Refunded to Association	$1,707.99	
	$1,707.99	$1,707.99

West Parish Library

Balance from 1963		$256.85
Appropriation		750.00
Half Dog Licenses Refund from County		255.85
40% State Aid to Public Libraries		201.00
Interest — Invested Funds		129.18
Operating Expense Refunded to Association	$1,592.88	
	$1,592.88	$1,592.88

UNCLASSIFIED

Town Halls

Appropriation		$2,000.00
Transfer from Reserve		10.34
Janitors	$539.39	
Fuel	399.39	

Light	288.25	
Telephone	277.98	
Repairs	456.04	
Supplies	49.29	
Total Expenditures	$2,010.34	$2,010.34

Public Grounds

Appropriation		$300.00
Labor	$125.65	
Trucks	40.50	
Loader	27.00	
Gravel	23.50	
Survey	37.80	
Total Expenditures	$254.45	
Balance to Revenue	45.55	
	$300.00	$300.00

Town Forest

Appropriation		$100.00
Labor	$70.00	
Gravel	30.00	
	$100.00	$100.00

Soldiers' Graves

Appropriation		$225.00
East Parish Cemeteries	$100.00	
West Parish Cemeteries	$100.00	
Balance to Revenue	25.00	
	$225.00	$225.00

Harmony Cemetery

Appropriation		$150.00
Maintenance	$150.00	
	$150.00	$150.00

Boxford Village Cemetery

Appropriation		$150.00
Maintenance	$150.00	
	$150.00	$150.00

Mt. Vernon Cemetery

Appropriation		$50.00
Maintenance	$50.00	
	$50.00	$50.00

Memorial Day

Appropriation		$525.00
American Legion Post No. 379	$525.00	
	$525.00	$525.00

Clerical

Appropriation		$1,500.00
Clerical	$1,496.27	
Balance to Revenue	3.73	
	$1,500.00	$1,500.00

Community House

Appropriation		$300.00
Electricity	$39.24	
Repairs	26.72	
Total Expenditures	$65.96	

Balance to Revenue	234.04	
	$300.00	$300.00

Town Reports

Appropriation		$1,379.65
Town Reports	$1,329.65	
Delivery	50.00	
Total Expenditures	$1,379.65	$1,379.65

Civil Defense

Balance from 1963		$54.62
Appropriation		400.00
Diriector's Salary	$100.00	
Telephone	31.68	
Maintenance of Equipment	101.87	
Total Expenditures	$233.55	
Balance to 1965	221.07	
	$454.62	$454.62

Morse House

Appropriation		$300.00
Labor	$29.25	
Plaque	225.98	
Total Expenditures	$255.23	
Balance to 1965	44.77	
	$300.00	$300.00

Contingency Fund

Appropriation	$700.00
Transfer from Reserve	350.00

Transfer from Inspection		200.00
Masconomet School Rent	$60.75	
Law Books	21.25	
Petitions and Fees	87.65	
Printing	64.00	
Land Taking	350.00	
Fence on School Property	113.57	
July 4th	100.00	
Use Happy Health Beach	240.00	
Recording Deeds	32.00	
Rowley Trophy	15.00	
Conservation Commission Dues	15.00	
Postage	28.00	
Total Expenditures	$1,127.22	
Balance to Revenue	122.78	
	$1,250.00	$1,250.00

Interest and Amortization of School Loan

Appropriation		$35,905.00
Interest	$4,530.00	
Payment on Principal	31,000.00	
Total Expenditures	$35,530.00	
Balance to Revenue	375.00	
	$35,905.00	$35,905.00

Reserve Fund

Appropriation from Overlay Fund		$15,000.00
Total Transfers	$5,918.51	
Balance to Overlay Reserve	9,081.49	
	$15,000.00	$15,000.00

Insurance

Appropriation		$6,795.57
Compensation	$1,079.66	
Liability	347.02	
Motor Vehicle Liability	2,121.61	
Fire	587.98	
Fire, Theft and Collision	380.57	
Accident, Fire Department	496.33	
Total Expenditures	$5,013.17	
Transfer to Selectmens' Highway Fund	1,000.00	
Balance to Revenue	782.29	
	$6,795.46	$6,795.46

Respectfully submitted,

BARBARA C. PERLEY,
Town Accountant

REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER

The Receipts and Disbursements in the General Cash Account for the year 1964 were as follows:

Balance, January 1, 1964		$404,238.43
Tax Collector	$599,066.86	
Commonwealth of Massachusetts:		
Highways	21,620.33	
Education	88,358.93	
Taxes	17,991.96	
Old Age Assistance, Grants	6,351.71	
Aid to Dependent Children, Grants	2,038.14	
Disability Assistance, Grants	3,425.61	
Medical Aid to Aged	5,176.49	
Veterans' Benefits	405.52	
School Lunch Program	4,837.02	

County of Essex:		
Highways	2,781.70	
Dog License Refund	511.69	
Trust Funds, Income	4,331.39	
Departmental Receipts	3,052.62	
Licenses and Permits	5,376.75	
Income from Town Property	481.00	
Federal Withholding Tax Account	26,580.66	
State Withholding Tax Account	3,019.77	
Departmental Refunds	1,328.21	
School Lunch Program	17,972.85	
County Retirement Account	3,135.35	
Court Fines	400.00	
Telephone Commission	75.63	
Interest	4,211.82	
Refund for Trees	320.00	
Sale of Stove and Furnace	165.00	
Miscellaneous	13.75	
		$823,030.76
		$1,227,269.19
Disbursements:		
Treasury Warrants as issued by Accountant and approved by Selectmen	$1,028,187.31	
		$1,028,187.31
Balance December 31, 1964		$199,081.88

For a more detailed statement of Receipts and Disbursements, see report of Town Accountant.

REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS AND ACCOUNTS

STABILIZATION FUND

Georgetown Savings Bank, Book 14821:	
Balance January 1, 1964	$1,334.04
Interest for year 1964	53.88
Balance January 1, 1965	$1,387.92
Andover Savings Bank, Book 75659:	
On Deposit January 1, 1964	$10,233.99
Interest for year 1964	413.42
Balance January 1, 1965	$10,647.41
Salem Savings Bank, Book 110123:	
On deposit January 1, 1964	$8,918.30
Withdrawn June 22, 1964	2,000.00
Interest for year 1964	344.98
Balance January 1, 1965	$7,263.28
Warren Five Cents Savings Bank, Book 98035:	
On deposit January 1, 1964	$15,300.00
Interest for year 1964	951.63
Deposit June 15, 1964	20,000.00
Balance January 1, 1965	$36,251.63
Haverhill Savings Bank, Book T3786:	
Topsfield Branch	
On deposit January 1, 1964	$25,587.51
Interest for year 1964	1,038.93
Balance January 1, 1965	$26,626.44

CONSERVATION FUND

Lawrence Savings Bank, Book 295:	
Deposit April 3, 1964	$3,000.00

Interest for the year 1964	67.50
Balance January 1, 1965	$3,067.50

STABILIZATION FUND

Georgetown Savings Bank, Acct. 15901:	
On deposit January 1, 1964	$1,050.80
Interest for year 1964	42.42
Deposit November 9, 1964	28,906.78
Balance January 1, 1965	$30,000.00
Salem Five Cents Savings Bank, Book 84296:	
Deposit November 16, 1964	$25,000.00
Balance January 1, 1965	$25,000.00
Ipswich Savings Bank, Book 35188:	
Stabilization Fund	
Deposit November 12, 1964	$25,000.00
Balance January 1, 1965	$25,000.00

TOWN FARM FUND

There are deposited in the safe deposit vault of the Danvers Savings Bank, United States Treasury Bonds, Par Value $6,500.00.

$6,500.00 U.S. Treasury Bonds, 2½'s, 70/65	$6,500.00
Danvers Savings Bank, Book 14805:	
On deposit January 1, 1964	$8,769.51
Interest for the year 1964	376.63
Balance January 1, 1965	$9,146.14

Interest from the above bonds is deposited in the banks as follows:

Lawrence Savings Bank, Book 83858:	
On deposit January 1, 1964	$162.08
Interest for the year 1964	6.94
Balance January 1, 1965	$169.02
Salem Five Cents Savings Bank, Book 28764:	
On deposit January 1, 1964	$18,916.18
Interest on U.S. Treasury Bonds	162.50
Savings Bank Interest for 1964	819.15
Balance January 1, 1965	$19,897.83
Salem Savings Bank, Book 99618:	
On deposit January 1, 1964	$9,515.82
Interest for the year 1964	414.77
Balance January 1, 1965	$9,930.59

WEST PARISH LIBRARY FUND

Lawrence Savings Bank, Book 107895:	
On deposit January 1, 1964	$1,500.00
Interest for the year 1964	64.42
	$1,564.42
Wthdrawn	64.42
Balance January 1, 1965	$1,500.00
Salem Five Cents Savings Bank, Book 30896:	
On deposit January 1, 1964	$1,500.00
Interest for the year 1964	64.76
	$1,564.76
Withdrawn	64.76
Balance January 1, 1965	$1,500.00

EAST PARISH LIBRARY COTE FUND

Danvers Savings Bank, Book 10319:	
On deposit January 1, 1964	$1,291.36
Interest for the year 1964	55.44
Balance January 1, 1965	$1,346.80

BOXFORD VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION

Danvers Savings Bank, Book 9224:	
On deposit January 1, 1964	$1,324.99
Interest for the year 1964	55.04
Withdrawn April 15, 1964	86.25
Balance January 1, 1965	$1,293.78

POST WAR REHABILITATION FUND

Interest from U.S. bonds were deposited in the Danvers Savings Bank, Book 15573:

On deposit January 1, 1964	$2,250.09
Interest for the year 1964	96.62
Balance January 1, 1965	$2,346.71

Georgetown Savings Bank, Book 11752:	
On deposit January 1, 1964	$3,032.83
Interest for the year 1964	116.50
Withdrawn May 13, 1964	300.00
Balance January 1, 1965	$2,849.33

SARAH P. PERLEY FUND

Andover Savings Bank, Book 38221:	
On deposit January 1, 1964	$2,352.82
Interest for the year 1964	92.54
Withdrawn	274.50
Balance January 1, 1965	$2,170.86

CURTIS AND KILLAM BURIAL LOT FUND

Danvers Savings Bank, Book 8600:	
On depost January 1, 1964	$361.88
Interest for the year 1964	15.51
Balance January 1, 1965	$377.39

EAST PARISH LIBRARY FUND

Lawrence Savings Bank, Book 107894:	
On deposit January 1, 1964	$2,000.00
Interest for the year 1964	85.89
	$2,085.89
Withdrawn	85.89
Balance January 1, 1965	$2,000.00
Salem Five Cents Savings Bank, Book 30898:	
On deposit January 1, 1964	$1,500.00
Interest for the year 1964	64.76
	$1,564.76
Withdrawn	64.76
Balance January 1, 1965	$1,500.00

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL FUNDS

For the year ending December 31, 1964

The funds are invested in the following Savings Banks:

Salem Five Cents Savings Bank Book No. 11474	$1,000.00
Danvers Savings Bank Book No. 5501	2,000.00
Salem Savings Bank Book No. 83786	1,000.00
Haverhill Savings Bank Book No. T2437	500.00
Total amount of fund	$4,500.00

The interest on the above funds has been sent to the Town Treasurer by check as follows:

Salem Five Cents Savings Bank	$42.52
Danvers Savings Bank	85.00
Salem Savings Bank	43.13
Haverhill Savings Bank	20.16
Total	$190.81

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY E. TRASK
RICHARD P. CHADWICK
AMY G. PARKHURST
Committee on School Funds

All of the Bonds and bank books for the preceding Trust Funds are in the custody of the Town Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

LUCY K. PARKHURST,
Treasurer

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE

In September 1961 agreement was reached with Mr. Joseph Lee Spofford on acquisition of thirteen (13) acres by the Town.

In March 1962 your School Building Committee decided to develop the Spofford Road site instead of adding classrooms at the Gardner Morse School site, or any of the other alternatives considered. Pupil population projections already showed the need for additional classrooms by September 1964.

A joint meeting was held with the School Committee, Selectmen, Finance Committee and Planning Board in May 1962 to make sure that all aspects of the possible development of a Town Administration Center adjacent to the proposed Spofford Road School site were understood and considered by all the Town officials. It was important that all the Boards and Committees understood each other's plans for the future use of the sixty (60) acres of Town land at this location counting the new school site in addition to the other Town land. The building Committee engaged a surveyor to make a plot plan of the entire Town-owned tract including the Spofford land. Town Counsel advised eminent domain land-taking proceedings be carried through to clear the title to the Spofford land.

After the Building Committee screened several architectural firms, Stoner Associates was engaged in July 1962 to prepare plans for a new school at Spofford Road site. The Board of Health was consulted on relationship between operations at the Town Dump and the proposed school site. The State Public Health Department was also consulted before going ahead with the new school plans.

Because of the proximity of the Spofford Pond School site to a corner of Georgetown (about two-thirds of a mile) the Georgetown Board of Selectmen and Water Commissioners were consulted to see if there was any possibility of obtaining water from their water system for the new school. Georgetown Water Commissioners were willing to furnish water for drinking and fire protection to the school, but the cost of bringing it to the school made the purchase of Georgetown

water uneconomical. Consequently the committee decided to provide a well on the school site.

In November the committee presented its preliminary plans and educational specifications to the Massachusetts School Building Assistance Commission.

In January 1963 plans for the new school were presented at the Parent-Teachers Meeting to which the public was invited and plans and specifications were sent out to contractors who responded to our "invitation to bidders." Meanwhile, an estimated cost of $425,000 was used as the basis for preparing an article for the Town Meeting warrant in order that constructon of the school could be authorized.

In February 1963, the School Building Assistance Commission approved our plans for the new school, but the bids came in so far above estimated costs that your building committee rejected all bids. Intensive study of the reasons for the high bids led to appropriate revision of plans and specifications to reduce the probable costs to approximate value of the previous estimates.

In March 1963, the Annual Town Meeting authorized the Building Committee to proceed with construction on the basis of the revised estimate of $430,000. Consequently new invitations to bid went out to contractors in March with the revised specifications.

These bids were received in April and proved satisfactory. In May 1963, the construction contract was awarded to the Fay Construction Company of Wakefield, Massachusetts. In June 1963, the well drilling job was awarded to the Viera Artesian Well Company of Georgetown. Both of these contractors performed admirably.

Construction of a ten-room school commenced immediately and proceeded rapidly. The first try of the well driller was successful in July providing an adequate supply of potable water at a depth of about 260 feet. This well promises to be capable of supplying the needs for the full projected development of the Spofford Pond School.

The only serious problem which arose during construction concerned our sewage disposal system. Although preliminary approval by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health had been obtained in December 1962, final approval could not be obtained until the Spring of 1964. The high level of subsurface water determined at that time forced a modification of our sewage disposal system which added nearly $5,000 to our contract for the new school.

The extremely dry summer and fall of 1964 made it very difficult to grow lawn grass, consequently some reseeding will be done next spring.

The Spofford Pond School was equipped and ready to receive classes at the beginning of September 1964. The dedication ceremony and open house were held September 20, 1964.

The School Building Committee thanks the School Committee, School Superintendent, former member John F. G. Eichorn, Jr., all the Town Boards, Committees and Officials, and the Parent-Teacher Association for their assistance in the successful completion of this fine community project.

The Boxford School Building Committee
Boxford, Massachusetts

FREDERICK B. MONELL, JR., Chairman
LeROY E. CURTIS, JR., Vice-Chairman
G. DANA BILL, Secretary
JOHN R. BENSON
ROBERT R. CRANDALL
PETER K. RACE
DUDLEY W. WATKINS, JR.

ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF BOXFORD

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1964

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS REPORT

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Peter K. Race, Chairman	Term expires 1965
G. Dana Bill, Vice-Chairman	Term expires 1966
Robert Crandall, Secretary	Term expires 1967
A. Gordon Price	Term expires 1966
John Haywood	Term expires 1967

SUPERINTENDENT

Herbert A. Rouisse

School Committee Operation

The committee held a total of 20 regular meetings and 2 special meetings during 1964. All meetings from January to September were held at the Cole School. With the opening of the Spofford Pond School in September, the library in that school was established as the regular meeting place of the committee. Regular meetings are scheduled for the second and fourth Thursday of each month at 7:30 P.M. Meetings are open and the public is invited to attend. Executive sessions have seldom been held and then only in matters requiring privacy and consistent with the open meeting statute. Notices of special meetings or changes in dates are posted in the Town Hall.

John S. Haywood has served as the representative of the local school committee to the Masconomet Regional School Committee, effecting a liaison between the two committees. G. Dana Bill, Robert R. Crandall, and Peter K. Race have served as members of the School Building Committee. Their dual membership has been of considerable value to both committees in connection with the construction and opening of the Spofford Pond School.

Financial

The continuing growth of the elementary school population mandates a significant increase in the budget again.

The enrollment figures as of October of the preceding years follow:

1960	—	337
1961	—	395
1962	—	452
1963	—	473
1964	—	523

The growth of the past few years resulted in the opening of the Spofford Pond School in September, 1964. The major impact of the larger staff and the greater operating costs will be felt in 1965. In addition, anticipated further growth requires that provision be made for the establishment of one extra teaching position and for additional books and materials.

The change in each major account is noted below:

Account	Appropriation 1964	Budget 1965	Increase Decrease	Per Cent of Change
Administration	$ 8,028.	$ 8,820.	$ 792.	9.9%
Instruction	145,572.	167,871.	22,299.	15.3%
Other School Services	31,414.	35,108.	3,694.	11.8%
Operating & Maintenance of Plant	20,867.	25,258.	4,391.	21.0%
Fixed Charges	3,900.	3,750.	—150.	— 3.8%
Community Services	890.	890.	——	——
Acquisition of Fixed Assets	567.	400.	—167.	— 29.5%
Programs With Other Communities	1,700.	1,250.	—450.	— 26.5%
	$212,938.	$243,347.	$30,409.	14.2%

The major increase is found in the *Instruction Account,* primarily in the salaries of the teaching staff. In connection with this, it should be indicated that a new salary schedule has been voted for 1965, bringing the minimum salary to $5,000 as required by action of the Massachusetts Legislature. The rise

in the *Regular Teachers' Salary Account* of $20,453 is occasioned by these factors:

1. The provision of salary for one additional teacher for Sept.-Dec., 1965.
2. The impact of a full year's salary for three teachers added in September, 1964.
3. The impact for a full year of normal salary increments effective in September, 1964.
4. The impact for the period of September-December, 1965 for normal salary increments effective in September, 1965.
5. The impact for a full year of salary increases granted to be effective in September, 1964.
6. The impact for the period of September-December, 1965 for salary increases granted to be effective in September, 1965.

The new salary schedule effective in September, 1965 follows:

Schedule A With Intermediate Steps

	B	B + 12	B + 24	M	M + 12	M + 24	Prof. Cert.
1.	$5000	$5100	$5200	$5300	$5400	$5500	$5600
2.	5200	5300	5400	5500	5600	5700	5800
3.	5400	5500	5600	5700	5800	5900	6000
4.	5600	5700	5800	5900	6000	6100	6200
5.	5800	5900	6000	6100	6200	6300	6400
6.	6000	6100	6200	6300	6400	6500	6600
7.	6200	6300	6400	6500	6600	6700	6800
8.	6400	6500	6600	6700	6800	6900	7000
9.	6600	6700	6800	6900	7000	7100	7200
10.	6800	6900	7000	7100	7200	7300	7400
11.	7000	7100	7200	7300	7400	7500	7600
12.	7200	7300	7400	7500	7600	7700	7800
13.				7700	7800	7900	8000
14.							8200

Plus $100 for tenure teachers

Other significant increases are noted below:

1. An increase in the *Administrative Account* of $792 is attributable in some measure to the increasing share of union expenses which must be borne by Boxford. Under the original agreement Boxford's share was set at 35%. Based on the enrollment in the two towns, Box-

ford's share moved to 36.5% in 1964 and will go to 38.3% in 1965.

2. The significant increase in the *Secretarial Salaries Account* of $1468 was occasioned by the employment of a part tme secretary at the Spofford Pond School.

3. A major increase in the *Regular Transportation Account* of $5422 provides for an additional bus required for the current school year. Also included is an estimate for increased costs when all bus contracts are put out to bid for the 1965-66 school year.

4. The increase of $4713 in *Custodial Services* reflects the addition of a full time custodian for the Spofford Pond School and the increase in hours of the part time custodian.

It should also be noted that efforts have been made to hold the budget increase to the lowest reasonable level. No new services are planned to be added to the program during 1965. Funds available under Public Law 874, the so-called federally-impacted areas program, have been designated for certain essential expenditures totaling about $1500, which amount approximates that received under P.L. 874 for the 1963-1964 school year. Such use of P.L. 874 Funds has the effect of reducing the 1965 Budget.

The estimated average enrollment is 499 for 1964. Therefore, the gross per pupil costs, based on appropriation figures, is $426.73. Anticipated receipts in 1964, after an apportionment of Chapter 70 funds for secondary purposes, will total about $63,380.82, giving a net per pupil cost of $299.71.

The projected average enrollment for 1965 is 537 pupils. Dividing the 1965 appropriation of $243,347. by the enrollment produces an estimated gross per pupil cost of $453.16 for 1965. The estimated net per pupil cost for 1965, after deducting the anticipated reimbursements of $71,397.83 is $320.23.

PER PUPIL COSTS

	Gross	Net
1964	$426.73	$299.71
1965	453.16	320.23
Differences	$26.43	$20.52

It should be noted that the financial accounting system which had been in use previously, was replaced in 1964 by a new system advocated by the United States Office of Education. This system is used in a majority of states and has been adopted by the Massachusetts Department of Education. The widespread adoption of this system nationally should make possible more comparable figures on the cost of education among the various states.

School Facilities

A major landmark was reached in Boxford elementary education with the opening of the Spofford Pond School in September 1964. On the first day of classes, the building received some 250 pupils in grades four through six. The actual opening was quite uneventful in view of the fact that basic construction had been completed well in advance of the opening date, making possible organized and effective use of the structure from its first day of occupancy. Dedication exercises and a public open house were held on September 20, 1964. This new building is proving to be an excellent facility, both functional and attractive. It stands as tribute to the members of the School Building Committee, who contributed much time and effort toward making it a reality. Great credit is also due to the Selectmen, the Finance Committee, and the Boxford Parent-Teacher Association, all of which groups made significant contributions.

At present Boxford enjoys the happy circumstance of having ample classroom space for all its pupils and this situation should continue for another two or three years. During the current school year there are twenty-one (21) classrooms in regular use, all ten (10) of the classrooms at the Spofford Pond

School and eleven (11) of the Cole School Classrooms. Neither the Wood School nor the Morse School, both of which have two standard classrooms, are in use. In addition, two rooms at the Cole School designed for regular classroom use, are serving for remedial reading and speech instruction at the present time.

A continuing program has been carried to maintain all structures in good operating and instructional conditions. Major items of work completed at the Cole School during 1964 were:

Repair of roof and roof flashings
Interior painting in the corridors and kitchen
The installation of a roof drain
The replacement of defective tiles and one molding
The replacement of certain flushometers and wornout plumbing fittings.

The Curriculum

The school curriculum is in a continual state of review, development, and change. Curriculum guides were developed in all major areas over a period of time starting in 1961. However, efforts are being made already to review these, to incorporate changes, to keep these as current as possible. Curriculum committees are active in four areas at this time, English, mathematics, science, and programmed learning. These committees consist of teachers from both Topsfield and Boxford, representing various grade levels. A principal serves as chairman in each case. The committees will prepare recommendations for submission to the administration and the school committee.

The English Committee is re-writing that guide with special emphasis being given to the development of a comprehensive sequential analysis of the instructional program in connection with capitalization, punctuation, grammar, and correct usage. In this particular endeavor, staff members from the elementary schools in Boxford, Middleton, and Topsfield, and the English Department of Masconomet Regional High School

are participating. Therefore, the completed sequential analysis will apply in all three towns and from Grades 1-12.

The Science Committee is concerned primarily with the reorganization of major units at the various grade levels to make possible a more intensive treatment of a few given topics at a specific level, rather than a more superficial treatment of all phases at each grade level. An outgrowth which will hopefully eventuate is the provision of time for and the direction of effort toward a greater concern with the scientific method, the sense of discovery, and the development of basic principles and relationships. The study of science at any level must result in more than an accumulation of mere information. The fantastic growth of knowledge in this field and the early obsolescence of current information dictate that the best approach will be that which emphasizes basic principles, an attitude of scientific interest, and the ability to be self-educative.

The Mathematics Committee is concerned with revising the curriculum guide, primarily to incorporate some of the accepted principles of the so-called modern mathematics. This modern mathematics movement originated in the 1950's and has made significant impact on the public elementary school arithmetic program in the middle 1960's. Several universities have carried on research projects in this field, which have resulted in the development of various experimental mathematics programs. Some public schools are using these experimental materials, while others, including Boxford, have introduced new textbooks prepared by major educational publishers, which have incorporated some of the generally accepted concepts and topics from the various experimental programs. At the elementary level, arithmetic continues to be the major content. However, this instruction in arithmetic includes a more explicit and more systematic attention to the mathematical structure of arithmetic. More consideration is given to mathematical properties, to a more specific study of different sets of numbers, to a more precise use of mathematical terms. Basically, however, modern mathematics at the elementary level is an attempt to teach approximately the same content

as previously, but in a manner in which deeper insights into basic relationship will be derived. The key word in modern mathematics is "discovery." Instruction is so geared that the student will discover for himself the principles, the relationship, the patterns involved. The objective is shifting from the development of a student who is computationally efficient to the development of a student who can think quantitatively.

The fourth curriculum committee is investigating the field of programmed learning and/or teaching machines. Programmed learning, reduced to simplest terms, is an attempt to make possible self-instruction by breaking a body of information into smaller components and to lead the learner from the elementary facts into more advanced phases of knowledge by asking for a response to a carefully planned series of questions. The program is a body of information or concepts broken into small sequential units considered most conducive to effective learning. Each unit requires a student response and immediately provides the learner with knowledge of the correctness of his response. Pictures, graphs, and diagrams may be part of or supplement the program.

A teaching machine, on the other hand, is the device for presenting a program a unit at a time. Often called a programmed instructional device or auto-instruction device, it is merely a mechanical contrivance for presentation of a program. The program does the teaching.

Teaching machines and programmed learning had their current origin with Dr. Skinner of Harvard University in the early 1950's. The first promotions of this approach emphasized the teaching machine almost to the exclusion of the program. More recently, the emphasis is properly being placed on the program itself. Many of the materials being developed now require no machine, but rely on using a slide or shield to cover answers or on locating answers on different pages from the questions.

This movement must yet be considered in the experimental stage. There appear to be few programs, if any, which have been widely used and proven at the elementary school

level. However, there would seem to be great possibilities for the introduction of this approach into the classroom with highly beneficial results. There are several instances of certain programmed materials being used in local classrooms for supplementary purposes. It is expected that the Programmed Learning Committee will evaluate these materials and others available to prepare a recommendation as to those programs which would serve a real purpose here.

Various special programs were continued during 1964:

1. *The Remedial Reading Program.* Mrs. Dorothea D'Agostino serves as a reading specialist, giving both remedial instruction and assisting in the direction of the reading program in the classrooms. Emphasis in remedial reading is placed at the lower grade levels in an attempt to help the children before a deficiency in reading becomes too great a limiting factor, as it does by the time the children reach the intermediate grade level. Approximately 39 children meet with the reading specialist, usually in groups of 2 to 6 for three periods per week. This work is in addition to the child's regular reading instruction in his classroom. The aims in the remedial reading program are similar to those in the regular program and include the development of fluency, skill in phonetic analysis, structural analysis, and skill in reading for comprehension.

   One recognizable deficiency in our remedial reading program is found in the fact that virtually all the remedial effort is directed toward pupils whose progress in reading is below the class average. Little time remains for special help to be given to those children who may be progressing at an average rate but who apparently have the potential to be far above average.

   Under the direction of the reading specialist, an important innovation in reading during 1964 was the introduction of individualized reading into some of our middle grade classrooms. This program supplements the basal program. A group of books of literary merit are provided in the class-

rooms for pupils to read on an individual basis. The student discusses his reading individually with the teacher rather than in the traditional form of book reports. This approach makes it possible for a pupil to proceed at his own rate, provides an opportunity for many pupils to read widely and develop better literary tastes, and establishes a one-to-one relationship between pupil and teacher which is beneficial to both.

2. *School Adjustment Counsellor Program.* Boxford shares the services of Miss Lois R. Crane, School Adjustment Counsellor, with the elementary school systems in Topsfield and Middleton. The major emphasis in this program has been in the area of early detection of those children who have difficulty in their group relationships, their achievement, or in obtaining a sufficient amount of satisfaction from their school experience. Through counselling with the individual child or his parents and through consultation with the teachers and principals, many of these pupils with incipient problems have been helped directly or by a referral to a proper agency. A second major emphasis in this program has been the use of the counsellor by teachers and principals as a consultant in specific and general problems of child behavior, particularly as it relates to classroom situations.

Speech Program

Boxford also shares the services of Mrs. Merlin Miller, remedial speech teacher, with Topsfield and Middleton. Mrs. Miller tests all first graders each year, plus those children referred by the teachers of the other grades. The present case load in Boxford is 25. Most problems are those of functional articulation, i.e. the inability to produce certain sounds correctly, although no physical impairment is present. There are also some children who receive help for stuttering or poor voice quality. These children meet with the speech teacher once or twice each week for a period of twenty minutes either singly or in groups of four or less. Some fifteen (15) pupils

have been discharged from the program during the past year and a half as having overcome their speech problem.

Kindergarten

During the 1963-1964 school year a great deal of consideration was given to the incorporation of a public kindergarten program as an integral part of the elementary school organization. The advantages, costs, and procedures of such a program were studied in some detail and a tentative decision was reached to initiate a kindergarten program in September, 1964 when classrooms would become available. However, at the request of certain town officials, the committee reconsidered the matter and carried on an extensive survey of the residents to determine their opinion on the issue. The returns from this survey showed clearly that a large majority of the taxpayers opposed the establishment of a kindergarten program, primarily on the basis of impact on the town's financial structure. Subsequently the plan for initiating the kindergarten program was dropped.

Community Activities

The school facilities continue to serve the public to a significant extent. Regular meetings of the School Committee and the School Building Committee are held in the Spofford Pond School. Town meetings and various public hearings take place at the Cole School. During the basketball season the gymnasium at the Cole School serves the boy's program sponsored by the Boxford Athletic Association, a men's evening program, and the Masconomet junior varsity team for practice sessions. Regular meetings of the Boy Scouts and the Girl Scouts are held in the schools. The Parent-Teacher Association presents motion pictures periodically in the schools. The committee has been happy to encourage public use of the school facilities, which does not interfere with the education program or impose unreasonable costs upon the taxpayers.

The two school libraries have received consideration in recent months in connection with the comprehensive review being made of the town library program. The schools have

participated in the recent town library survey carried on by two professional librarians. If the recommendations resulting from the survey point the way to more effective elementary school programs through close cooperation with the town libraries, it is hoped that such a relationship may develop.

A series of Parent Study Group meetings were held for the first time this year. A group of parents met regularly with Superintendent Rouisse and Principal Ritchie to discuss public education in general and Boxford elementary education in particular. The discussions included such topics as the relationship of education to government at the local, state, and federal levels, the organization and operation of the local schools, and certain aspects of curriculum.

School Lunch Program

The growth of the school lunch program in Boxford was detailed in the 1963 Annual Report. A major change in 1964 was the opening of a modern well-equipped lunch facility in the Spofford Pond School. This new kitchen and lunchroom was designed to serve not only the enrollment of the present ten-classroom plant but also to handle the lunch program at such time as the eventual expansion of the Spofford Pond School to a twenty-room plant reaches fruition.

The cost of the meals to pupils remains at 25c. The National School Lunch Act provides a subsidy payment of 9c per meal and certain commodities for a small service charge. The program continued to be self-supporting in 1963-1964 as detailed below:

1963-1964 School Year

Total Income Based on Sales		$22,132.60
Expenditures		
Food	$12,458.80	
Wages	6,424.42	
Equipment	635.90	
Other	2,033.04	21,552.16
Profit		$ 580.44

Regional Cooperation

Continuing attention is given to the maintenance of effective cooperation among the three elementary systems in the region and between the elementary and the secondary levels. The three superintendents meet regularly to develop common policies and procedures wherever desirable and feasible. Reference has already been made to some of the joint curriculum work in process. The three elementary systems share the services of the school adjustment counsellor and the speech therapist. The transition from the sixth grade in the local schools to the seventh grade at the secondary level receives complete coordination from all involved.

The three elementary systems have carried on a cooperative teacher workshop program during 1964. During the winter and spring terms Professor Martini of Salem State College presented a course in modern mathematics to the elementary teachers of the three towns. During the fall term, Professor LeBel has held a series of discussion meetings with teachers dealing with classroom behavior.

A more tangible item of cooperation between Boxford and Topsfield was the two-year loan of some fifty (50) units of Topsfield's pupil furniture to Boxford. This loan made it possible for Boxford to defer the purchase of these items until the new school opening, thereby effecting a savings of several hundred dollars.

The Masconomet Regional School Committee is composed of nine members, three from each member town. Two of the members from each town are elected directly by the voters for a three-year term. The third member from each town is elected annually by and from the membership of the local school committee and the member so-elected serves in a dual role. In view of the considerable work load this dual role entails and the more frequent change in membership resulting from the annual election, consideration has been given to having all three members on the Masconomet Regional School Committee from each town elected by the voters for three-year terms, one to be elected each year. This proposed change was

initiated by the local school committees. The Masconomet Regional School Committee is taking the necessary steps to place this question on the warrants for the annual town meetings for consideration by the voters in view of the fact that this will constitute a change in the original regional agreement.

Health Service

Under the direction of Mrs. Mary Hunter, School Nurse and Dr. James Brackbill, School Physician, a comprehensive health program is carried on, especially in those areas relating to school progress. The height and weight of each child is recorded annually. Ill and injured children are provided for until their parents can assume the responsibility. Other services include:

Physical Examinations — 81 pupils — 2 referrals
Vision Tests — 496 pupils — 20 referrals
Hearing Tests — 483 pupils — 11 referrals
Tuberculosis Tine Test — 69 pupils — 0 referrals
Diphtheria-Tetanus Inoculation — 118 pupils — 0 referrals
Flu Vaccine — School Staff — To reduce staff absenteeism

A Look To The Future

Public education in the United States has undergone tremendous changes in the past three decades. Curriculum changes, new instructional organization, and new services have been generally well-publicized by the press and by the local school systems. References to such changes were made earlier in this report. Less publicized and recognized are changes in the legal and financial structure of public education.

One such significant change has been a move toward increasing the size of the school districts through the merger of two or more smaller units. The number of school districts in the United States which once exceeded 100,000 was reduced to 27,000 by the end of 1963. A further reduction in the number of districts is expected during the next decade.

The federal government has become gradually more active in public education, a function which had traditionally been

the exclusive function of the states. The Office of Education has been expanded. Programs such as the National School Lunch Act, National Defense Education Act, the impacted areas program, and now the depressed areas legislation, which distribute federal money to local school districts, involve the federal government more closely in public education. Every indication points to a continuation of this trend. It would appear that a nation-wide policy for public education will evolve even if we do not come to a national school system.

Here in Massachusetts, the legislature established an Education Study Committee to make a comprehensive survey of public education in this commonwealth and report its findings and recommendations by December, 1964. This report has just been made public although the recommendations in ther entirety are not yet locally available. From newspaper accounts, it appears that recommendations include the provision of massive amounts of new funds by the state government for public education, the reorganization of school districts to provide larger administrative units, the creation of a state board of education for higher education, and a re-structuring of the roles of the state department of education and the local school committees.

At the local level too, we must continue to investigate, change, and adapt to maintain a momentum of progress. The changing relationship of the three levels of government in relation to public education; the increasing emphasis on the part of the national government that education is a matter of national policy; the increasing pressure from parents for more and better educational services dictate that one must maintain an attitude of alertness to what is happening in education generally and be willing to progress on the local level.

During the past few years, several programs have had their inception and have contributed to a more effective system. Such programs as remedial reading, remedial speech, the school adjustment counsellor service, and the school libraries have become reasonably well established and should make greater contribution in succeeding years. Beginnings have been

made in the incorporation of modern mathematics, of individualized reading, and other curriculum changes previously refered to. Other targets to guide our planning in the next few years should include:

1. The development of a non-graded organization.
2. The provision of suitable space to serve the art and music program.
3. The expansion of the physical education program to where all pupils have daily physical education.
4. The development of the school library program to become an integral part of the academic program, including sufficient space and materials under the direction of a professional school librarian.
5. The establishment of a special class for retarded children.
6. The establishment of a special class for children needing special remedial work to enable them to make suitable progress in a regular classroom.
7. The employment of certain teachers on a twelve-month basis to help in curriculum revision and the preparation of instructional materials.

ENROLLMENT OCTOBER 1, 1964

HARRY LEE COLE SCHOOL

Grade	1	2	3	Totals
Boys	42	50	56	148
Girls	48	36	40	124
	90	86	96	272

SPOFFORD POND

Grade	4	5	6	Totals
Boys	39	40	50	129
Girls	38	41	43	122
	77	81	93	251

SCHOOL CENSUS

Ages	5-7	7-16	16-21	Totals
Boys	52	379	60	491
Girls	52	329	39	420
	104	708	99	911

No-School Signal

No school announcements will be broadcast over WESX, WHAV, and WNAC between 7:00 and 7:30 a.m., if there is no school for the day. Announcements regarding "No School" are made by the Boxford Superintendent for the Boxford Elementary Schools only. Announcements for the Masconomet Regional High School will be made by the Regional Superintendent and will be designated "Masconomet Regional High School."

In addition, three long blasts will be given on the local fire alarm at 7:15 a.m. to designate no school for the elementary classes (grades one through six) for the day.

During stormy or extremely cold weather, parents are urged to exercise their own judgment in sending their children to school.

Vaccination

State law requires vaccination as a condition for admission to a public school. Children who have not been vaccinated will not be admitted to school in September unless they present a certificate from a regular practicing physician stating that they are not fit subjects for vaccination. Parents are requested to attend to this matter prior to the spring registration of Grade 1 if possible.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

1965

Winter Term

January 4 ..... School Reopens
February 19 ..... Winter Recess — School Closes at Regular Time
March 1 ..... School Reopens
April 15 ..... Spring Recess — School Closes at Regular Time

Spring Term

April 21 ..... School Reopens
May 31 ..... Memorial Day Observance
June 16 ..... Closing Hour 12 Noon
June 17 ..... Closing Hour 12 Noon
June 18 ..... School Closes for Summer Vacation at 12 Noon

Fall Term

September 2 ..... New Teacher Orientation
September 7 ..... Teacher Orientation
September 8, 9, 10 ..... School in Session — Dismissal at 12 Noon
September 13 ..... School Opens Full Time Session
October 12 ..... Columbus Day — No School
October 20 ..... Teachers' Convention — No School
November 11 ..... Veteran's Day — No School
November 24 ..... Thanksgiving Recess — Dismissal at 12 Noon
November 29 ..... School Reopens
December 23 ..... Christmas Recess — School Closes at Regular Time

(Subject to Change)

TEACHERS' DIRECTORY

As of January 1, 1965

Name	Grade or Subject	School	Appointment	Graduate of
Joseph R. Ritchie	Principal	Elementary	1956	Boston College
Daniel T. Murphy	Asst. Prin. and Grade 6	Spofford Pond	1963	Fitchburg State College
Joseph Carnevale	Grade 6	Spofford Pond	1964	Boston College
Helen Chadwick	Grade 6	Spofford Pond	1955	Bridgewater State College
Mary Welch	Grade 6	Spofford Pond	1958	Bridgewater State College
Ruth E. Morin (Leave of absence)	Grade 5	Spofford Pond	1950	Hyannis State College
Violet L. Davis (Substitute)	Grade 5	Spofford Pond		
Marjorie C. Trahan	Grade 5	Spofford Pond	1963	Salem State College
Joseph C. Wentworth	Grade 5	Spofford Pond	1963	Farmington Teachers College
Barbara R. Benson	Grade 4	Spofford Pond	1962	University of Illinois
Isabelle Griffin	Grade 4	Spofford Pond	1961	Regis College
Patricia P. Himber	Grade 4	Spofford Pond	1964	Bridgewater State College
Marie Audet	Grade 3	Harry L. Cole	1959	Salem Teachers College
Anne Bixby	Grade 3	Harry L. Cole	1961	Wellesley College
Sherry Chew	Grade 3	Harry L. Cole	1963	Goucher College
Sandra C. Whitney	Grade 3	Harry L. Cole	1964	Aroostook State Teachers College

TEACHERS' DIRECTORY (Continued)

Name	Grade or Subject	School	Appointment	Graduate of
Dorothy M. Carver	Grade 2	Harry L. Cole	1939	Salem State College
Virginia Douglass	Grade 2	Harry L. Cole	1964	Salem State College
Harriet Goldthwaite	Grade 2	Harry L. Cole	1962	University of Massachusetts
Enid Davis	Grade 1	Harry L. Cole	1961	So. Conn. State College
Barbara A. Horn	Grade 1	Harry L. Cole	1964	Lesley College
Lelia Millay	Grade 1	Harry L. Cole	1944	Farmington State College
Winifred Zar	Grade 1	Harry L. Cole	1964	Hunter College
Alice F. Boffetti	Music		1964	N. E. Conservatory of Music
Dorothea D'Agostino	Reading		1960	Farmington State College
Natalie Keohane	French		1963	Swarthmore College
Carlotta Miller	Speech		1963	Purdue University
Lois R. Crane	School Adjustment Counsellor		1962	Boston University

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Finance Committee has reviewed all of the 1965 budget requests with the department heads and feels that an effort has been made to keep the operating costs at a low level. We feel that these requests are valid and reasonable.

The operating cost of the Police Department is higher due to a full year's operation involving full time police coverage for the town. The Fire Department budget is low in comparison to the value of the real estate within the town. Over the past few years this department has been constantly improving their equipment and now compares most favorably to any town of its size. As the town continues to grow the cost of the central government will reflect this gradual growth but if its citizens demand more services the operating budget of the town will be increased substantially.

Both the local and regional School Department budgets have gone up in an alarming manner. The local budget has increased 14.2 percent and the regional operational and gross maintenance budget has increased 21.7 percent. This is somewhat due to the fact that both departments are now operating their new school units for the first full year. The citizens of Boxford should recognize that the school operation costs more than 80 percent of the town budget. They should learn about the operation of the schools in order to satisfy themselves that their money is being wisely spent. If they feel their money is not wisely spent they should communicate their thoughts to the duly elected school committee members.

In the past year the Board of Assessors have re-appraised all dwellings and buildings in the town. They did not enter into any contract for an aerial survey but preferred to engage a local surveyor to plot the real estate of the town on scale maps. It is imperative that this mapping be completed without great delay because of a potential loss of taxes to the town. The records of the assessors show that substantial work has been done in this field.

The Finance Committee recommends that the Selectmen appoint a study committee to interview various town officials

and departments for their office space or storage requirements. This committee should evaluate these needs and make the necessary recommendations as to whether the existing town buildings be repaired, altered or new constructions be made.

The Finance Committee also recommends that a study committee be appointed by the Selectmen to investigate the possibility of the town securing the water rights to some of the larger Ponds. In the future there will be a water shortage and the town should protect its own interests and not lose the water rights to some neighboring community.

DeWITT T. MINICH, Chairman
ARTON C. PIERCE
JOHN G. BOLTON
ALLEN E. GRIFFIN
ROBERT BUELL

WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Essex, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Boxford, in said County.

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Boxford, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs to meet at the Masconomet Regional School, Boxford, on Monday, the first day of March next, at 8:00 o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

Article 1. To hear and act on the reports of the Town Officers and Committees.

Article 2. To act on the suggested budget and see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the use of the several departments for the current year, to wit: Schools, Highways and Bridges, Charities, Health, Veterans' Benefits, Street Lighting, Moth Suppression, Memorial Day, Forest Warden, Town Halls, Elections, Interest on Loans, Sealer of Weights and Measures, Town Clerk, Accountant, Selectmen and all other necessary and proper expenses arising during said year.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate $2,500.00 or other suitable sum, for the maintenance of Road Machinery, said amount to be transferred from the Road Machinery Fund.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate $15,000.00 for the Reserve Fund, said amount to be transferred from Overlay Reserve.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1965 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew

any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

Article 6. To allow bills of charge and to raise and appropriate money for paying the same.

Article 7. To see what compensation the Town will vote to pay for labor in the several departments for the ensuing year.

Article 8. To appropriate the sum refunded from the County on account of dog licenses for libraries or schools.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $6,000.00 to be divided between the two libraries of the Town for use toward the maintenance of said libraries; or take any action relative thereto.

Article 10. To see whether the Town of Boxford will vote to restrict the number of unregistered, unlicensed and ungaraged motor vehicles on a person's property to one, or to take any action thereon.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to accept as public roads any or all of the following:

Silvermine Road
Trask Road
King George Drive from the intersection of Killam Hill Road to the intersection of King John Drive.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate $100.00 for micro-filming and reproducing early records for preservation.

Article 13. To see if the Town will accept an amendment to the Masconomet Regional School District agreement initiated by the district committee on December 14, 1964, providing for three elected members of the committee from each town rather than two elected and one appointed member as at present.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $34,350.00 from Surplus Revenue to meet the State and County allotments for highways, said money when reimbursed to be credited to Surplus Revenue.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to provide boxes of sand and salt to be located at various places for the safeguard of the public during the winter season.

Article 16. To see whether the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,000.00 to trade ambulance (1947) in for a newer model for the Fire Department.

Article 17. To see whether the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,300.00 for improvement of the Fire Stations:

Well	$350.00	Toilet	$600.00
Pump	$100.00	Building Materials	$650.00
Septic System	$300.00	Fire Escape	$300.00

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,400.00 to be used in conjunction with an allotment from the State under Chapter 90 Maintenance.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $5,000.00 to be used in conjunction with allotments from the State and County under Chapter 90 Construction.

Article 20. A. To see if the Town will vote to continue and expand the responsibilities of the present Boxford School Building Committee appointed pursuant to Article 21A of the 1960 Annual Town Meeting, to include the functions, duties, and authority involved for investigating and planning for the acquisition of such school sites and for constructing and originally furnishing and equipping school buildings as shall be necessary for the projected elementary school population of the Town, locating and securing options upon suitable tracts of land, and obtaining professional and technical assistance; said Committee to report its recommendations to the Town at each Annual Meeting and to the Board of Selectmen at other times as may be appropriate, or to take any other action relative thereto. B. To see if the Town will vote to establish definite terms of office for the four members-at-large on the School Building Committee appointed by the Board of Selectmen from registered voters residing in the Town of Boxford or take any other action relative thereto.

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IN MEMORIAM

BENJAMIN ROBERT CUNNINGHAM

1899 — 1965

Highway Surveyor **1933 - 1964**

TOWN OFFICERS

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

John Evans	Term expires 1966
Clayton B. Larrabee	Term expires 1967
Harry L. Cole	Term expires 1968

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Selectmen

CENTRAL ESSEX WELFARE DISTRICT

Mrs. Phyllis R. Brown, Director

NORTH ANDOVER and BOXFORD DISTRICT DEPT. OF VETERANS' SERVICE

Bernard W. Bingham, District Director

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

J. Warren Chadwick	Term expires 1966
Harry L. Cole	Term expires 1967
Chester K. Twiss	Term expires 1968

TOWN TREASURER

Lucy K. Parkhurst	Term expires 1967

TOWN CLERK

E. Laurence Colby	Term expires 1968
Barbara C. Perley, Assistant	Term expires 1968

MODERATOR

William J. Greenler, Jr.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES

Frederick A. Smallman

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

G. Dana Bill	Term expires 1966
A. Gordon Price	Term expires 1966
Robert R. Crandall	Term expires 1967
John Stewart Haywood	Term expires 1967
Peter K. Race	Term expires 1968

BOARD OF HEALTH

Stephen Maddock, M.D. — Term expires 1966
Charles H. Pinkham, 2nd — Term expires 1967
Harry L. Cole — Term expires 1968

TREE WARDEN

Robert E. Hebb

HIGHWAY SURVEYOR

Clinton E. French

CONSTABLES

Nathaniel N. Love, Jr.
Walter H. Gamans, Jr.

CHIEF OF POLICE

Nathaniel N. Love, Jr. (Resigned)
David W. DiTomaso

MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

Robert E. Hebb

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Chester A. Leighton

COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL FUNDS

Amy G. Parkhurst
Harry E. Trask
Richard P. Chadwick

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Barbara C. Perley — Term expires 1968

CHIEF OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

C. Richard Cunningham

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

William J. Greenler, D.V.M.

INSPECTORS OF SLAUGHTERING

Walter H. Gamans, Jr.
Samuel E. Lawes

TRUANT AND ATTENDANCE OFFICER

Archer N. French

DOG OFFICER

Grace L. Gray

FOREST WARDEN
C. Richard Cunningham

FENCE VIEWERS
Selectmen

REGIONAL DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Arthur Gingrade	Term expires 1966
Hans W. Barber	Term expires 1968

PLANNING BOARD

Simeon S. Pearl	Term expires 1966
Warren R. Godfrey	Term expires 1966
Charles L. Cotton	Term expires 1967
Charles P. A. Nelson	Term expires 1968
E. Laurence Colby	Term expires 1969
J. Warren Chadwick	Term expires 1970
William E. Dorman	Term expires 1970

TRUSTEE OF BOXFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY
William E. Dorman

CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR
Gordon A. Russell

DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF CIVIL DEFENSE
Henry W. Nason John M. Moore

BUILDING INSPECTOR
Henry W. Nason

WIRE INSPECTOR
Herbert W. Sperry

GAS INSPECTOR
Gardner W. Starrett

PLUMBING INSPECTOR
Harold L. Galloway

TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE

Walter K. Morss	Term expires 1966
Winthrop P. Haynes	Term expires 1967
Robert B. Parkhurst	Term expires 1968

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Arion C. Pierce	Term expires 1966
Allen E. Griffin	Term expires 1966
Robert C. Buell	Term expires 1967
John G. Bolton	Term expires 1967
DeWitt T. Minich	Term expires 1968

TOWN COUNSEL

William T. Greenler, Jr.

APPEAL BOARD

John A. Chew	Term expires 1965
Paul G. Edwards	Term expires 1966
Simeon Locke, M.D.	Term expires 1967

APPEAL BOARD ALTERNATE

John P. Marsh	Term expires 1967
Ronald Houldsworth (Resigned)	Term expires 1965

RECREATIONAL COMMITTEE

Marion M. Colby	Term expires 1966
David G. Doughty	Term expires 1966
William R. Davis	Term expires 1967
Shirley MacGill	Term expires 1968
A. Gordon Price	Term expires 1968

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Dorothy Woodbury	Term expires 1966
Catherine Thomas	Term expires 1966
Winthrop P. Haynes	Term expires 1967
Stuart K. Harris	Term expires 1968
Edward L. French	Term expires 1968

SPECIAL POLICE

Clinton E. French	James T. Stromberg
Cecil Farnsworth	Peter L. Vrettos (Resigned)
Ethel Walker	Harold O. Sederquest
Walter H. Gamans, Jr.	Paul A. Genest
Fred D. Newell, Jr.	Richard W. Pratt

Joseph A. Pageau

RESERVE POLICE FOR CIVIL DEFENSE

Harold R. Johnson
Horace D. Moore
Ernest K. Mortimer
Francis S. Smith

SWORN WEIGHERS
MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK
SURVEYORS OF LUMBER
FIELD DRIVERS

SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE

Frederick B. Monell, Jr.	Term expires 1966
G. Dana Bill	Term expires 1966
Leroy E. Curtis, Jr.	Term expires 1967
Robert R. Crandall	Term expires 1967
John R. Benson	Term expires 1968
Peter K. Race	Term expires 1968
Dudley W. Watkins, Jr. (Resigned)	Term expires 1969

BOXFORD DATA

The Town of Boxford was incorporated in 1685.

Population (1965 census), 3004.

Area in square miles, 24.39.

Boxford is in the Third Essex Senatorial District and in the Eleventh Essex Representative District.

The Senator is Phillip A. Graham, 293 Bridge Street, Hamilton, Massachusetts.

The Representatives are Belden G. Bly, Jr., 46 Auburn Street, Saugus, and Russell H. Craig, 35 Monroe Street, Lynnfield.

The Building Inspector is Henry W. Nason, Washington Street, West Boxford. Telephone — Haverhill 372-2320.

The Wire Inspector is Herbert W. Sperry, Main Street, West Boxford, Telephone — Haverhill 372-7649.

The Sanitary Engineer is Tracy I. Flagg, 111 Collins Street, Danvers. Telephone (evenings) — 774-4979.

The Gas Inspector is Gardner W. Starrett, Middleton Road, Telephone 887-5058.

The Plumbing Inspector is Harold R. Galloway, Middleton Road, Boxford, Telephone 887-2232.

LIST OF JURORS — 1964 - 1965

Andruss, Barbara B., housewife, Mill Road, Boxford.

Botsford, Nelson, retired, Ipswich Road, Boxford.

Bumpus, Henry W., retired, Ipswich Road, Boxford.

Butler, Howard F., Jr., accountant, Georgetown Road, Boxford.

Cargill, Thomas E., Sr., retired, Main Street, Boxford.

Chadwick, Everett H., farmer, Main Street, West Boxford.

Connor, Raymond J., retired, Middleton Road, Boxford.

Cotton, Mabel B., housewife, Herrick Road, Boxford.

Curtis, Leroy E., telephone engineer, Ipswich Road, West Boxford.

Dodge, Harold L., Sr., laborer, Lake Shore Road, West Boxford.

Eaton, Forrest G., executive, Middleton Road, Boxford.

Edwards, Dorotha L., housewife, Ipswich Road, Boxford.

Edwards, Mary M., housewife, Cross Road, Boxford.

Gaffey, Francis, J., superintendent, Sunrise Road, Boxford.

Gallyon, James H., retired, Ipswich Road, Boxford.

Godfrey, Warren R., engineer, Elm Street, Boxford.

Goodding, Leston E., engineer, King Edward Court, Boxford.

Haywood, Ruth, housewife, Kelsey Road, Boxford.

Hazelwood, Earle C., Jr., industrial engineer, Chapman Road, Boxford.

Hill, George H., retired, Lake Shore Road, West Boxford.

Hitchcock, Crosby, telephone company employee, Middleton Road, Boxford.

Kane, Mildred, housewife, Woodcrest Road, Boxford.

Kimball, Richard D., mechanical engineer, Cross Road, Boxford.

Larson, L. James, engineer, Stage Coach Road, Boxford.

Nason, Beulah W., insurance executive, Washington Street, West Boxford.

Orth, Edmond D., engineer, King James Court, Boxford.

Patscheider, Rosamond E., housewife, Spofford Road, West Boxford.

Pearl, Simeon S., retired, Lake Shore Road, West Boxford.

Petty, Stanley W., engineer, Woodcrest Road, Boxford.

Purkis, George T., manufacturer, Bare Hill Road, Boxford.

Rotsko, Alexander, engineer, Ipswich Road, Boxford.

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, MARCH 1, 1965

250 voters of the Town of Boxford met at the Masconomet Regional District School at 8 P.M. for the annual town meeting. William J. Greenler, Jr., opened the business meeting after a brief prayer by Reverend Arthur White. The articles of the warrant were disposed of as follows:

Article 1. Voted to accept the reports of the various town Officers and Committees as printed in the Town Report.

Article 2. Voted to adopt the suggested budget without change.

Article 3. Voted to appropriate $2,500.00 for the maintenance of Road Machinery, said amount to be transferred from the Road Machinery Fund.

Article 4. Voted to appropriate $15,000 for the Reserve Fund, said amount to be transferred from Overlay Reserve.

Article 5. Voted to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1965, and to issue a note, or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

Article 6. Voted to pass over.

Article 7. Voted to pass over.

Article 8. Voted to appropriate the sum refunded from the County on account of dog licenses, to be divided equally between the two libraries of the town, with the odd cent, if any, going to the East Parish Library.

Article 9. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $6,000.00 to be divided equally between the two libraries of the town for use toward the operation and maintenance of said libraries.

Voted that the trustees of both public libraries be requested to report back at the next town meeting in regard to what action they have taken toward the public election of trustees in charge of the operation of each public library.

Article 10. Voted that the subject matter be referred to the Planning Board.

Article 11. Voted to accept as public roads the following: Silver Mine Road, Trask Road, and King George Drive from the intersection of Killam Hill Road to the intersection of King John Drive.

Article 12. Voted to raise and appropriate $100.00 for micro-filming and reproducing early records for preservation.

Article 13. Voted to amend Section I of the agreement for the establishment of the Masconomet Regional School District by adding the following subsection at the end of Section 1:

"H. Notwithstanding any provisions to the contrary contained in subsections I (A) and I (C) of this agreement, no member shall be appointed by the local school committee to serve on the regional district school committee, provided, however, that the terms of any members so appointed in 1965 shall not be affected hereby. The member from each town who was formerly appointed by the local school committee shall be elected at the annual town election of each member town in 1966 and shall serve until the annual town election in 1967. In 1967 and in every third year thereafter, each member town shall at its annual town election elect such member to serve on the regional district school committee for a term of three years and until his successor is elected and qualified. Vacancies shall be filled in the manner provided in Subsection I (E) for the filling of vacancies of elected members."

Article 14. Voted to appropriate the sum of $34,350.00 from Surplus Revenue to meet the State and County Allotments for highways, said money when reimbursed to be credited to Surplus Revenue.

Article 15. Voted to pass over.

Article 16. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,000.00 to trade in a 1947 ambulance for a newer model for the Fire Department. Voted that all non-residents of the town be charged for this ambulance service at a rate to be set by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 17. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,300.00 for improvement of the Fire Stations as follows:

Well	$350.00	Toilet	$600.00
Pump	100.00	Building Materials	650.00
Septic system	300.00	Fire Escape	300.00

Article 18. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,400.00 to be used in conjunction with an allotment from the State under Chapter 90 Maintenance.

Article 19. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $5,000.00 to be used in conjunction with allotments from the State and County under Chapter 90 Construction.

Article 20. A. Voted to continue and expand the responsibilities of the present Boxford School Building Committee appointed pursuant to Article 21A of the 1960 Annual Town Meeting, to include the functions, duties, and authority involved for investigating and planning for the acquisition of such school sites, and planning for constructing and originally equipping school buildings as shall be necessary for the projected elementary school population of the Town, locating and recommending the securing of options upon suitable tracts of land, and obtaining professional and technical assistance; said committee to report its recommendations to the Town at each Annual Meeting and to the Board of Selectmen at other times as may be appropriate.

B. Voted as follows:

a. The present terms of office of the members of the School Building Committee at large shall expire on March 31, 1965.

b. The Board of Selectmen, before April 1, 1965, shall appoint 4 members at large to the School Building Committee from registered voters residing in the

Town of Boxford, one for a term expiring March 31, 1966, one for a term expiring March 31, 1967, one for a term expiring March 31, 1968 and one for a term expiring March 31, 1969.

c. In March 1966 and in March each succeeding year, the Board of Selectmen shall appoint one member at large to the School Building Committee from registered voters residing in the Town of Boxford for a term expiring March 31 four years later.

Article 21. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $50,000.00 to be added to the Stabilization Fund.

Article 22. Voted to instruct the Selectmen to appoint a Committee of three members to make a study of the advisability of the town establishing a water system.

Article 23. Voted to instruct the Selectmen to appoint a committee of three members to make a study of the space requirements of the various town officers, departments, and boards, and to recommend whether it is advisable to repair and/or change existing facilities to meet these needs.

Article 24. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $600.00 for the purchase of highway equipment.

Article 25. Voted to adjourn at 10:10 P.M.

A true record.

Attest:

E. LAURENCE COLBY,
Town Clerk

BUDGET ADOPTED FOR 1965

	Adopted Budget 1965
Selectmen	$1,450.00
Board of Public Welfare	300.00
Assessors	2,500.00
Treasurer	700.00
Town Clerk	600.00
Collector of Taxes	2,000.00
Town Accountant	2,900.00
Registrars	200.00
Elections	300.00
Planning Board	300.00
Appeal Board	300.00
Building Inspector	1,000.00
Wire Inspector	1,000.00
Gas Inspector	500.00
Plumbing Inspector	500.00
Finance Committee	150.00
Town Counsel	500.00
Recreation Committee	1,200.00
Board of Health	4,000.00
Inspection of Slaughter	800.00
Inspection of Animals	50.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures	35.00
Dog Officer	70.00
Police	15,000.00
Fire Department	11,000.00
Tree Warden	2,000.00
Moth Suppression	1,400.00
Dutch Elm Disease	2,000.00
Public Welfare	
Disability Assistance	
Aid to Dependent Children	12,500.00
Old Age Assistance	
Medical Aid to Aged	

Central Essex Welfare Dist. Adm.	683.60
Veteran's Benefits	1,500.00
School	243,347.00
Regional District School	309,400.10
Selectmen's Highway Fund	3,000.00
Chapter 81 Maintenance	3,300.00
Snow Removal	21,000.00
Street Lighting	900.00
Vacation Account	1,200.00
Sick Benefit	300.00
Town Halls	2,000.00
Public Grounds	300.00
Town Forest	100.00
Civil Defense	215.00
Insurance	6,314.19
Memorial Day	525.00
Soldiers Graves	225.00
Mt. Vernon Cemetery	50.00
Harmony Cemetery	150.00
Boxford Village Cemetery	150.00
Town Reports	1,500.00
Clerical	1,500.00
Selectmen's Contingent Fund	1,000.00
Interest on Maturing Debt	4,005.00
School House Notes	31,000.00
Community House	300.00
Conservation Committee	1,515.00
TOTAL	$700,734.89

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, JUNE 4, 1965

The voters of the Town of Boxford met at the Harry L. Cole School at 8:15 P.M. on June 4, 1965 with 51 voters attending. After a moment of silent prayer, the business meeting was opened by William J. Greenler, Jr., moderator. The articles of the warrant were disposed of as follows:

Article 1. Milton E. Lord representing the libraries of the town, made a report on the progress made toward conversion from private to semi-public institutions. It was voted that the article be passed over until the next town meeting when concrete action would be presented to the town.

Article 2. Voted to appropriate the sum of $502.50 received in State Aid for Libraries for the use of the public libraries in the town, with 60% going to the East Parish Library and 40% to the West Parish Library.

Article 3. Voted to raise and appropriate $100.00 for the purchase of speed control signs.

Article 4. Voted to raise and appropriate $23.39 for the 1965 census account.

Article 5. Voted to accept as a public way or street, a way shown on plan of Harlan P. Kelsey Inc., subdivision off Chapman Road and Camp Ground Road alongside lot #11 on said plan, also on plan drawn for William E. Dorman, accepted by the Planning Board on 5-17-65, the way as shown 300 ft. to and including the turn around, to be known as Chapman Way; and voted to accept the sum of $1,600 offered by Mr. William Dorman and to appropriate the same for the Highway Department for the purpose of improving the said road.

Article 6. Voted to accept the legacy, when paid, of $2,000 for library purposes contained in Article III, Section (gg) of the Mary Stacy Holmes Trust.

Article 7. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,000.00 to finance a plan of contributory group life insurance and hospital, surgical, and medical insurance for town officers and employees and their dependents under General Laws, Chapter 32B, accepted at the March Town Meeting.

Article 8. Resolved that the voters of the town should be informed more fully as to the time and place of any Town business meeting.

Voted to adjourn at 8:45 P.M.

A true record:

Attest:

E. LAURENCE COLBY,
Town Clerk

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, DECEMBER 17, 1965

The voters of the Town of Boxford met at the Harry Lee Cole School at 8 P.M. on December 17, 1965 for a special town meeting. After a brief prayer by the Rev. Arthur White, the meeting was called to order by William J. Greenler, Jr., moderator. The action taken on the various articles of the warrant was as follows:

Article 1. Voted to accept the report of the Library Trustees of the two libraries as printed in a brochure and distributed to the voters of the town.

Article 2. Voted unanimously that the town establish a town agency to be known as the Trustees of the Boxford Town Library, under Section 10 of Chapter 78 of the General Laws as follows:

(1) said trustees shall be nine in number to be elected by the town at each annual election, three each year for terms of three years; except that at the first election after the adoption of this vote there shall be three elected to serve three years, three to serve for two years, and three to serve for on year;

(2) said trustees shall be charged by the town with providing public library service to residents of the entire town, within such budgetary provision as may be voted by the town;

(3) said trustees shall have full authority to appoint and dismiss a town librarian, and such assistants, and employees as may be necessary;

(4) said trustees shall have full power to negotiate and conclude on behalf of the town appropriate contractural arrangements with libraries or library associations upon terms mutually satisfactory and acceptable for the maintenance, operation, and use of the library premises, book collections, and other library facilities belonging to said libraries or associations, or make any other arrangements appropriate and necessary for the provision of public library service to the town as a whole, subject always to the availability of budgetary provisions for the same as voted by the town.

Article 3. Voted to appropriate $500.00 for Road Machinery Maintenance, said amount to be transferred from the Road Machinery Fund.

Article 4. Voted to make the following transfers of funds:

$1400.00 from Disability Assistance to Veterans' Benefits
900.00 from Insurance to Veterans' Benefits
63.15 from Moth Suppression to Dutch Elm Disease Control
37.20 from Town Reports to Community House
100.00 from Town Reports to Selectmen's Highway Fund
100.00 from Public Grounds to Selectmen's Highway Fund
150.00 from Inspector of Slaughtering to Plumbing Inspector
300.00 from Interest on Loans to Board of Health
200.00 from Insurance to Board of Health

Article 5. Voted to appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars from available funds to acquire an interest in a certain area of land on Middleton Road for Highway Purposes, said land owned by Mrs. Dunbar Lockwood.

Article 6. Voted to pass over.

Article 7. Voted to adjourn at 8:40 P.M. Sixty voters were present at the meeting.

A true record:

Attest:

E. LAURENCE COLBY,
Town Clerk

BIRTHS RECORDED IN 1965 IN BOXFORD

Date	Name	Parents
1964		
Oct. 23	Norene Reardon Nester	John H. Nester Virgene M. Reardon
Oct. 28	Eric Browne Latham	Calder Browne Latham, Jr. Layne McMenamin
Oct. 28	Donna Jeanne Dewsnap	Donald S. Dewsnap Ann L. Sweeney
Nov. 5	Marina Lorraine Chub	Henry Chub Joyce A. Poulin
Dec. 10	Jonathan Brian Hume	Arthur R. Hume Joan C. Gibson
Dec. 18	Peter Lincoln Bonasia	John J. Bonasia Marilyn P. Pond
Dec. 30	Christine Pageau	Joseph A. Pageau Alverna Zukas
1965		
Jan. 18	Juliet Marie Mastroianni	William John Matsroianni Joyce Cecile Wilk
Jan. 21	Sally Ann Mello	Joseph F. Mello Nancy C. Wright
Jan. 27	Marion Elizabeth Green	John Henry Green Ruth Ella Earle
Feb. 5	Justin Michael Quinn	John Quinn, Jr. Carolyn L. Avila
Mar. 19	Stephanie A. Ray	Walter Moses Ray Maureen A. Flynn
Mar. 24	Kelly Anne Curran	Donald Bruce Curran Carol Ann Cooper
Apr. 18	David John Bourque	Joseph C. Bourque, Jr. Lucille G. Scanlon
Apr. 20	Peter Scott Perkins	Peter Cole Perkins Beverly Ann Donnelly

Apr. 21 —	Thomas Jeffrey Jones	Thomas Robert Jones Eva Meredith Fotte
Apr. 27 —	Daniel Joseph Winning	Joseph S. Winning Gail Ann McCormick
Apr. 30 —	Keith Robert Spinney	Philip Thomann Spinney Dorothy Janet Byrnes
May 7 —	Jonathan Aldrich Cass	Levi A. Cass Shirley A. Ash
May 12 —	John Edward Petty	Stanley Williamson Petty Anne Fawcett
May 13 —	Roberta Caroline Hemeon	Gordon R. Hemeon JoAnne L. Knight
May 24 —	Laurie Ann Pierce	Thomas Franklin Pierce Joan A. Gorman
June 5 —	Michael Lawrence Seymour	Lester L. Seymour, Jr. Ruth A. Larrabee
June 8 —	Michael Henning Tuchen	Gerd Achim Tuchen Mary Helen Van Duyne
June 12 —	David Lee Sullivan	Edward Francis Sullivan Margaret Jane Greene
June 28 —	Russell Tod Hopping	Richard G. Hopping Edith O. Murken
July 6 —	John Caleb Appleton	Samuel Appleton M. Joan Creed
July 7 —	Elizabeth Ann Aulson	Michael Francis Aulson Patricia J. Chatel
July 8 —	Ronald Michael Wyner	Joseph Wyner Janice A. Purrier
July 14 —	Michael Anthony Guertin	Roger G. Guertin Olga R. Cipriano
July 17 —	Douglas Matthew MacDonald	Herbert T. MacDonald Jill P. Clapsaddle
July 20 —	Gregory Todd Keenan	Francis Robert Keenan, Jr. Patricia Joanne Benner
July 30 —	David Charles Ferguson	James N. Ferguson Nancy C. Chase

Aug. 3 —	Sharon Elizabeth Delaney	Richard Francis Delaney, Jr. Margaret Veronica Power
Aug. 10 —	Laura Ann Griffith	Chester Franklin Griffith Maureen Smith
Aug. 12 —	Kurt Juno Widen	Leonard Juno Widen Sylvia A. Bratton
Sept. 5 —	Travy Lee Barker	Frank A. Barker Margaret H. Eagan
Sept. 12 —	Michelle Jackson	Robert Mosley Jackson, Jr. Paula Ann Wesson
Sept. 12 —	Karen Lee Calkins	Harlan D. Calkins Tobie Cadle
Sept. 24 —	Jennifer Nickert Shelly	Robson W. Shelly Sally Rogers
Oct. 21 —	Eric Matthew Pearsall	Richard J. Pearsall Dorothy A. Labbe

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN 1965

Date	Names	Residence
Jan. 28 —	Robert M. Jackson, Jr.	Danvers
	Paula Wesson	Boxford
Feb. 14 —	Raymond S. Gavron	Sayreville, N.J.
	Deborah R. Morin	Boxford
Mar. 20 —	Paul D. Bowler	Boxford
	Christine E. Wall	Topsfield
Apr. 3 —	Warren Buroughs Schott, Jr.	Boxford
	Donna Mae Evitts	Topsfield
Apr. 10 —	David Anthony Lambert	Derry, N.H.
	Priscilla Jane Noyes	Boxford
Apr. 11 —	Donn Edward Critchell	Springdale, Conn.
	Susan Butters	Boxford
June 5 —	James Gentile	Boxford
	Joanne Louise Ledoux	Salem
June 7 —	George J. Cloutier	Auburn, Me.
	Simone Amada Lacroix	Auburn, Me.

June 12 —	Tod Richard Loebel	Boxford
	Judith Eberhardt Cook	Hadley
June 26 —	Martin Clark Dodge	Cheshire, Conn.
	Margaret Anne Mattraw	Boxford
June 26 —	Harry Edward Temple	Perkinsville, Vt.
	Marianne Moulton	Perkinsville, Vt.
July 3 —	Franklin Eugene Robinson	Boxford
	Jeanette Therese O'Donnell	West Roxbury
Sept. 4 —	Dana Bruce Prince	Boxford
	Margaret Grace Walker	Boxford
Sept. 11 —	Eugene Laurence Treanor	Boston
	Karen Radford Waters	Boxford
Sept. 17 —	Herbert Vrettos	Boxford
	Dorrance Connell	Swampscott
Sept. 25 —	Richard Paul Alvia	Verona, N.J.
	Virginia Marie Lanahan	Boxford
Sept. 26 —	Walter J. Wilkin	Topsfield
	Priscilla M. Blaisdell	Boxford
Sept. 29 —	William V. Benjamin	Boxford
	Karen Marie French	Somerville
Oct. 29 —	Charles Austin Fowler	Boxford
	Phyllis Chaput Eaton	Georgetown
Oct. 31 —	Harold Kenneth Richardson	Boxford
	Anne L. Perkins	Boxford
Dec. 26 —	Natale John Quirinale	Salem, N.H.
	Janice E. Vincent	Boxford
Dec. 26 —	Alan David Williams	Manchester, Conn.
	Sandra Jean Prohl	Boxford
Dec. 27 —	Gardner Morse Edgarton	Wellesley
	Marianne Savage Burns	Salem

DEATHS RECORDED IN 1965

Date	Name	Age		
Jan. 10 —	(Baby Boy) Gillman	—	—	—
Jan. 11 —	Benjamin Robert Cunningham	65	1	2
Mar. 29 —	John P. Goodwin	87	11	20

May	15 — Julius Matz	78	8	25
May	25 — Mary J. Quigley	83	9	4
May	29 — Michael Cowan	20	2	—
June	2 — Stephanie Ray	—	2	14
July	10 — Alexander C. Milligan	93	3	7
July	17 — Ruth (Woodruff) Watkins	74	11	16
July	22 — Marion Isabel Spiller	75	—	—
July	26 — Donald E. Mitchell	44	6	23
July	28 — Robert L. Goring	56	4	17
Sept.	7 — Richard W. Pearl	55	5	16
Sept.	20 — Blake Cannon Elliott	4	4	6
Sept.	28 — Dominic Ronald Frasca	25	8	24
Oct.	5 — Jeremiah Robert Schmitt	41	4	0
Oct.	20 — Raymond U. Johnson	76	5	26
Nov.	10 — Harry J. Mooney	73	—	4
Nov.	25 — Barbara (Holden) MacDonald	64	8	3

FISH AND GAME LICENSES ISSUED IN 1965

103	Resident Fishing Licenses @ $4.25	$437.75
75	Resident Hunting Licenses @ $4.25	318.75
28	Resident Sporting Licenses @ $7.25	203.00
14	Minor Fishing Licenses @ $2.25	31.50
10	Female Fishing Licenses @ $3.25	32.50
6	Non-Resident Fishing Licenses @ $8.75	52.75
2	Non-Resident Hunting Licenses @ $15.25	30.50
	Total Receipts	$1,106.75
	Less Fees Retained by Town Clerk	59.50
	Remitted to Div. of Fisheries and Game	$1,047.25

DOG LICENSES ISSUED IN 1965

161	Males @ $2.00	$322.00
25	Females @ $5.00	125.00
119	Spayed Females @ $2.00	238.00
4	Kennels @ $10.00	40.00
3	Kennels @ $25.00	75.00
1	Kennel @ $50.00	50.00
	Total Receipts	$850.00
	Less Fees Retained by Town Clerk	78.50
	Remitted to Town Treasurer	$771.50

Respectfully submitted.

E. LAURENCE COLBY,
Town Clerk

REPORT OF BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Increasing construction activity in the Town, and review of approximately 100 dwelling units resulted in a busy year for the Board of Assessors. The work of the Board required regular weekly meetings on Tuesday evenings, and week-end work on all or part of approximately 25 Saturdays.

Work progressed quite well on the town mapping project which is being handled by Robert B. Parkhurst, Registered Engineer.

Representatives of the local Board attended monthly sessions of the Essex County Assessors Association classes of instruction which were held at Danvers. This afforded us the opportunity to discuss mutual problems with other assessors in Essex County and to receive the advice of experts in the various fields of property valuation and assessing work.

One problem which continues to plague the local Board and some local taxpayers involves the failure of taxpayers to submit Forms of List and applications for abatements and exemptions within the time limits set forth by law. Taxpayers who do not file the required forms within the specified time limit are not entitled to relief. It is the request of this Board that all taxpayers note carefully the provisions of their tax bills and other notices which are posted at the Town Hall and noted in the local newspapers pertaining to the filing of lists and applications for relief. The largest volume of applications for abatement involves those relating to the motor vehicle excise tax. The Board requests that all taxpayers make an effort to fully complete the forms before filing them.

The following table of aggregates indicates the property and taxes assessed on January 1, 1965 for the calendar year 1965.

No. of Persons Assessed	Indiv.	All Others	Total
On Personal Estate Only	5	3	8
On Real Estate Only	707	30	737

On Both Personal and Real Estate	232	4	236
Total Number of Persons Assessed			981

Value of Assessed Personal Estate		
Stock in Trade	$5,300.00	
Machinery	1,100.00	
Live Stock	7,260.00	
All Other Tangible Personal Property	546,550.00	
Total Value of Assessed Personal Estate		$560,210.00
Value of Assessed Real Estate		
Land exclusive of Buildings	$756,323.00	
Buildings exclusive of Land	4,969,230.00	
Total Value of Assessed Real Estate		$5,725,553.00
Total Valuation of Assessed Estate		$6,285,763.00
Tax Rate per $1,000 = $96.00		
Taxes for State, County and Town Purposes, including Overlay		
On Personal Estate	$53,780.16	
On Real Estate	549,653.08	
Total Taxes Assessed		$603,433.24

Number of Live Stock Assessed:	
Horses (1 year old or over)	49
Neat Cattle (1 year old or over)	
Cows (Milch)	63
Bulls	1
Yearling Steer	1
Swine (6 months old, or over)	197
Sheep (6 months old, or over)	36
Fowl	2,679
All Other: Ponies—10 Hives Bees—2 Other—3	15

Number of Acres of Land Assessed	14,133
Number of Dwelling Houses Assessed	786

Respectfully submitted,

CHESTER K. TWISS
J. WARREN CHADWICK
HARRY L. COLE
Board of Assessors

REPORT OF THE COLLECTOR OF TAXES

TAXES — 1959		
Uncollected Jan. 1, 1965	$4.38	
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1965		$4.38
	$4.38	$4.38
TAXES — 1960		
Uncollected Jan. 1, 1965	$10.34	
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1965		$10.34
	$10.34	$10.34
TAXES — 1961		
Uncollected Jan. 1, 1965	$22.09	
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1965		$22.09
	$22.09	$22.09
TAXES — 1962		
Uncollected Jan. 1, 1965	$1,460.77	
Interest Collected	63.59	
Taxes Collected:		
Real Estate		$747.40
Interest		63.59
Abatements		31.90
Audit Adjustment		304.23
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1965		377.24
	$1,524.36	$1,524.36
TAXES — 1963		
Uncollected Jan. 1, 1965	$7,395.96	
Interest collected	270.14	
Audit Adjustment	360.76	
Motor Vehicle Excise	84.15	
Motor Vehicle Excise Refund	29.70	
Taxes Collected:		
Real Estate		$4,462.13
Personal Property		50.50

Motor Vehicle Excise		983.40
Interest		270.14
Poll Tax		14.00
Abatement Poll Tax		10.00
Abatement Motor Vehicle Excise		1,259.79
Audit Adjustment		26.22
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1965		1,064.53
	$8,140.71	$8,140.71

TAXES — 1964

Uncollected Jan. 1, 1965	$42,851.21	
Motor Vehicle Excise Commitments	6,862.67	
Motor Vehicle Excise Refunds	656.03	
Interest Collected	665.13	
Audit Adjustment	80.30	
Personal Property Refund	4.50	
Real Estate Refund	360.00	
Taxes Collected:		
Real Estate		$31,151.47
Personal Property		1,654.20
Classified Forest Land		4.95
Farm Animal Excise		58.37
Motor Vehicle Excise		11,949.25
Interest		665.13
Abatements:		
Real Estate		585.00
Personal Property		9.00
Motor Vehicle Excise		1,783.48
Audit Adjustment		611.92
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1965		3,007.07
	$51,479.84	$51,479.84

TAXES — 1965

Real Estate Commitments	$560,468.44
Personal Property Commitment	53,780.16
Classified Forest Land	39.36
Farm Animal Excise	157.98

Motor Vehicle Excise Commitments	86,060.24	
Real Estate Refunds	1,412.16	
Personal Property Refunds	9.60	
Motor Vehicle Excise Refunds	2,993.14	
Interest Collected	138.71	
Audit Adjustment	51.84	
Taxes Collected:		
Real Estate		$501,178.92
Personal Property		51,493.52
Classified Forest Land		39.36
Motor Vehicle Excise		74,889.53
Farm Animal Excise		106.19
Audit Adjustment		567.98
Interest		138.71
Abatements:		
Real Estate		18,512.00
Personal Property		233.20
Motor Vehicle Excise		6,677.66
Motor Vehicle Refund		7.42
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1965		51,267.14
	$705,111.63	$705,111.63

RECAPITULATION

Total Receipts from Taxes:	
Real Estate	$537,539.92
Personal Property	53,198.22
Classified Forest Land	44.31
Farm Animal Excise	164.56
Motor Vehicle Excise	87,822.18
Poll Tax	14.00
Interest	1,136.57
	$679,919.76

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK A. SMALLMAN,
Collector

BOXFORD VILLAGE PUBLIC LIBRARY

East Parish

OFFICERS AND TRUSTEES

Winthrop P. Haynes, President
Milton E. Lord, Vice-President
Donald J. Anderson, Treasurer
Mrs. Carlyle W. Thomas, Acting Secretary

Thomas E. Cargill, Jr.
William E. Dorman
Mrs. Kenneth Vint
Arthur F. White
Margaret Lane (in absentia)

Acting Librarian, Mrs. Lucy K. Parkhurst

LIBRARY HOURS

Tuesday 10 A.M. to 5 P.M. and 7 P.M. to 9 P.M.
Thursday and Saturday 2 P.M. to 5 P.M.

Circulation during the year remained about the same as for the previous — over 11,000, of which 4,180 were juvenile. The Regional Bookmobile provided nearly 4,000 and enabled the staff to fill special requests or provide supplementary material for students. Books purchased totalled 407 and included a 20-volume 1965 encyclopedia. 175 gift books were added, making a total of 582. Library hours were extended from 9 to 15 hours per week, and evening hours were instituted.

The comprehensive survey of the town's library needs was completed and circulated to all voters prior to the annual town meeting on March 1, 1965. It has provided objectives for a good deal of this year's activities in our library.

In October, Mrs. Clayton Rock of Topsfield was engaged on a part-time basis to begin the weeding urgently recommended in the library survey and during the balance of the year 1,605 books were withdrawn, other books cleaned, repaired and marked. Under Mrs. Rock's able guidance, volunteers contributed some hundred hours of work on this project which will continue through the winter. Missing or worn-out classics in the fiction section have been replaced or are on order.

At the town meeting in March, funds were appropriated for use by the libraries and the Trustees were asked to prepare and present a plan for a publicly-elected group to administer future town funds appropriated for library purposes. Accordingly the Trustees of the two libraries met jointly, studied the needs and pertinent laws, and at a special town meeting on December 17th a plan was presented and accepted by the voters calling for creation of a board of nine trustees to be known as Trustees of the Boxford Town Library. They will assume responsibility for providing library service for the entire town, with power to appoint a Boxford Town Librarian and such assistants as may be necessary, and with authorization to enter on behalf of the Town into arrangements for the use of existing private library facilities. The Trustees of the Boxford Village Library look forward to the development of the new program of library service for the entire town, uniting therein the public libraries and the public schools, which will now be made possible in the near future with town financial support and under the direction of the newly-elected Town Library Trustees.

During the year close cooperation has been maintained with the library programs of both Masconomet and the Cole and Spofford Schools, in order to make it easier to meet student needs.

The Couples Club of the First Congregational Church contributed funds from a dance. Friends of the Library continued their summer book sales in the barn and purchased new lighting fixtures, a vacuum cleaner, and other needed items. Many individuals gave time to the library. The Trustees warmly appreciate the contributions and interest of our friends who have done so much toward improving our library facilities.

Respectfully submitted,

WINTHROP P. HAYNES,

President

CATHERINE INGALLS MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Mrs. Rosamond Ingalls Price, President and Trustee
Alexander Gordon Price, Vice-President
Miss Ruby Nason, Secretary
Milton E. Prevost, Treasurer
Rolfe Y. Petersen, Trustee
John F. G. Eichorn, Jr., Trustee
Mrs. Isabel Rounds, Librarian
Mrs. Ruby Benson, Assistant Librarian
Mrs. Martha Miller, Assistant Librarian

LIBRARY HOURS

Monday	7 — 9 P.M.
Tuesday	7 — 9 P.M.
Wednesday	3 — 5 and
	7 — 9 P.M.
Thursday	7 — 9 P.M.
Saturday	3 — 5 P.M.

As a result of the library survey made in 1964, the trustees of the Boxford Village Library and the West Boxford Public Library Association proposed to the town at a December meeting that the two libraries be administered by a Board of Library Trustees, nine in number, three each for three year terms, to be elected at the Annual Town Meeting in March. This was accepted.

In March, Mrs. Margaret Loughnane resigned as librarian. She had served for three years. Her place was filled by Mrs. Isabel Rounds, with Mrs. Ruby Benson and Mrs. Martha Miller acting as assistants.

Due to their efforts, a thorough house cleaning job has been done at the library. Shelves and files have been rearranged. Out-dated, unused books and other materials have been discarded. 1061 books were withdrawn. An inventory of the book collection was taken. It numbers 7,325. During the year 328 books were added. Circulation totalled 6800. There were 415 registered borrowers. The regional bookmobile supplied 4257 books for circulation.

We are grateful to the Thrift Shop for financial assistance, interested citizens who run the Spring Dance for our benefit and all others who have contributed in one way or another.

Respectfully submitted,

ROSAMOND INGALLS PRICE,

President

REPORT OF THE DOG OFFICER

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Boxford

There have been many calls by the owners of dogs and cats reporting their animals as missing.

It is urged that the owners of female dogs keep them carefully locked up when they are in heat or send them to a kennel. This will insure the safety of the dog and eliminate a nuisance problem.

Many complaints of stray dogs and cats have been taken care of.

All money collected has been turned over to the Town Clerk. There are a few uncollected licenses.

Respectfully submitted,

GRACE L. GRAY.

Dog Officer

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

All categories of aid except General Relief are administered from the Central Essex Welfare District office which is now located in the Richardson Block in Middleton Square. However, applications may be made at the Town Hall in Boxford.

General Relief is under the direction of the Board of Public Welfare. One case was administered during the past year.

Persons sixty-five years of age or over who wish to take advantage of the nation-wide Medicare program now in progress must file applications prior to March 31, 1966.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY L. COLE
JOHN EVANS
CLAYTON B. LARRABEE
Board of Public Welfare

REPORT OF THE GAS INSPECTOR

23 Permits issued — Art. 4, Sec. 1
5 Permits issued — Art. 4, Sec. 2 and 3
3 Permits issued — Art. 4, Sec. 2
3 Re-inspections — Art. 4, Sec. 4

Respectfully submitted,

GARDNER W. STARRETT,
Gas Inspector

REPORT OF THE BUILDING INSPECTOR

New Houses	59	Value	$1,455,000.00
Additions and Alterations	17	Value	45,985.00
Miscellaneous	9	Value	7,380.00
Garages	5	Value	13,800.00
Shopping Center	1	Value	200,000.00

Increase over 1964 shows one new house more in 1965, Additions and Alterations 7 more in 1965 than in 1964, and Garages 9 less in 1965 than in 1964.

Miscellaneous in 1965 includes: 2 Swimming Pools, 1 Shed, 1 Kennel, and 7 Gravel Permits.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY W. NASON,
Building Inspector

REPORT OF THE INSPECTORS OF SLAUGHTERING FOR THE YEAR 1965

EXAMINED			CONDEMNED		
Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Cattle	Calves	Sheep
122	347	165	5	15	2

Respectfully submitted,

SAMUEL E. LAWES,
Inspector of Slaughtering

REPORT OF THE WIRE INSPECTOR

Report for the Year 1965.

Permits	153
Inspections	310
Receipts — Electrical Permits Jan. 1 - Dec. 31	$1,570.50

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT W. SPERRY,
Wire Inspector

REPORT OF THE PLUMBING INSPECTOR

Board of Health
Town Hall
Boxford, Mass.
Dear Sirs:

The Plumbing Inspector's task for the past year has been uneventful.

Cooperation with the Health Department has been 100% and could not be bettered.

Very few minor difficulties have been encountered with the plumbers and these have been quickly solved.

There is a strong possibility of a State-wide plumbing code taking effect April first. But this will only mean minor changes as far as the Town of Boxford is concerned.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD R. GALLOWAY,
Plumbing Inspector

REPORT OF MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

Town was sprayed for Dutch Elm with same material as last year.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT E. HEBB,
Moth Superintendent

REPORT OF TREE WARDEN

Clearing and trimming has been done in town through the year. A number of trees have been removed. Maples 7, Oak 4, Pine 5, Ash 3, Assorted 6. Also the amount of 25 Linden Trees have been set in place of some of the removed trees.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT E. HEBB,
Tree Warden

REPORT OF DUTCH ELM DISEASE CONTROL

The amount of 25 diseased Elm Trees were removed and burned. We were helped by the State Conservation crew, which were here for ten days removing diseased Elms.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT E. HEBB,
Moth Superintendent

REPORT OF THE BOXFORD CONSERVATION COMMISSION

With the increasing public awareness of the importance and immediate need for good conservation practices, groups on the national, regional and local levels have gathered forces to study the problems and take appropriate action in connection with the protection and best use of our natural resources.

Members of the Boxford Conservation Commission have been asked to join with such groups as the Ipswich River Watershed Council, the Essex County Green Belt Association, and the newly formed Parker River Watershed Council in various meetings throughout the year.

Plans have been made to have a joint meeting of the governing bodies of the town to consider the feasibility of having an inventory of our water resources and a soil survey map prepared by the U. S. Department of Agriculture, Soil Conservation Service.

In February we were asked to participate in "Liberty Tree Day" sponsored by the Massachusetts Roadside Council. Trees were donated locally and plantings were made at the Holyoke-French house, the Church grounds, West Boxford and the Spofford Pond School.

Boxford Conservation Commission members attended various hearings of the Zoning Board of Appeals to make recommendations as requested by the Planning Board throughout the year.

Inspection of two gravel operation sites were made and the findings were made known to the Planning Board with recommendations made in one instance to correct unsatisfactory conditions on the property.

Studies are continuing on the sources of the Parker River within the boundaries of Boxford, and efforts to secure easements, water rights or outright grants to such watershed or floodplain areas have begun to bring cooperation on the part of several owners of these areas. Two gifts to the Town of Boxford have been promised this year.

The Conservation Commission is authorized to accept and administer land given to the Town for conservation areas. Owners of marshlands, streams or swampy areas bordering brooks and ponds are urged to consider making an outright gift or giving an easement on these areas to the Town.

Respectfully submitted,

STUART K. HARRIS, Chairman
WINTHROP P. HAYNES
CATHERINE THOMAS
EDWARD L. FRENCH
DOROTHY L. WOODBURY
Boxford Conservation Commission

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

January 14, 1966

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Boxford
Boxford, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

The following is a report of the Police Department and the activities for the year 1965.

Classified:

Court Cases — motor vehicle — criminal	213
Fires	46
Police Service — assistance (all types)	194
Arrests	35
Missing Persons	22
Recovered Stolen Property (diff. cases)	11
Ambulance Calls	64
Motor Vehicle Accidents	102
Summons Served	119
House Breaks	19
Complaints Various	215
Pistol Permits	37
Dog Complaints	42
House, Camps, School, Property Checks	1,101
Stolen Cars Recovered	5
Assistance Other Police Departments	89
Traffic Details	69
Investigations	288
Messages Delivered	15
Using a Motor Vehicle Without Authority	3
Assault and Battery	2
Escapee from Mental Institution	1
Vagrants	3
Illegal Possession of Firearms	3
Lewd Persons	3
Violations Referred to Registry	23

Motor Vehicle Warnings	193
Motor Vehicle Summons	178
Fines Assessed by Haverhill Court	$4,115.

There were forty-six arrests made in town by the State Police during the year. All but 13 of these arrests were for Motor Vehicle violations. The State Police also investigated 20 accidents.

On April 16, Nathaniel N. Love, Jr., resigned as Chief of Police and David W. DiTomaso was sworn in as Boxford's first full-time Chief of Police.

Joseph A. Pageau was sworn in as a police officer to replace Peter Vrettos, who later resigned.

May I respectfully request that all residents please notify this department when they intend to be away from home on an extended vacation.

As in the past, the Police Department has conducted many investigations not listed above which have been settled satisfactorily to all concerned without making arrests or going to court.

In closing, the men are to be commended for their prompt response and their efficiency of operation. A sincere thanks is extended to the State Police, Officials of the Town of Boxford and the Board of Selectmen and also to the Townspeople. To all those who have assisted this department in any way we are grateful.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID W. DiTOMASO,

Chief of Police

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

Boxford followed a national trend last year in its housing pattern. While lower cost residential units declined generally, activity picked up in the more expensive homes. Sixty-five new dwellings were reported in our town, a record.

The Board conducted four public hearings, held seven meetings and approved three subdivisions creating 34 new lots.

Lots processed with minimum frontage requirements not requiring formal approval totalled 20.

One change was made in subdivision regulations providing suitable locations within new neighborhoods for dry hydrants.

The golf course, now under construction on the former Holmes property, was approved.

Opposition to the State-owned park on Baldpate Pond was expressed by the Board on the grounds that the area was too small to support a heavy influx of non-residents and the questionable bacteria count which at one time nearly resulted in closing the pond to bathing.

While Boxford, from a consideration of orderly growth and increase in property values, appears far better off than neighboring communities, the Board feels a long range need for zoning laws that would encourage neighborhood parks, recreation facilities and green belts. A study of cluster zoning is underway toward this end. This instrument would preserve the same density but would permit fewer new roads and reduced service costs to the town. It is a complicated subject which will require lengthy research.

Respectfully submitted,
CHARLES L. COTTON, Chairman
CHARLES P. A. NELSON, Vice-Chairman
WARREN R. GODFREY, Clerk
WILLIAM E. DORMAN
J. WARREN CHADWICK
SIMEON S. PEARL
E. LAURENCE COLBY
Planning Board

REPORT OF NORTH ANDOVER - BOXFORD DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' SERVICES

The following services were performed by this Department during 1965:

Discharge (certified copy)	10
Discharge (recorded)	14
Photostats	350

Aid & Attendance Allowance	5
Loan Guaranty	15
Taxes	32
Annual Income Report	88
Compensation	14
Pension	32
Burial Allowance	25
Headstone	16
Medical & Dental	38
Hospitalization	10
Outpatient Treatment	12
Insurance	20
Power of Attorney	45
Miscellaneous	120

Respectfully submitted,
BERNARD W. BINGHAM,
District Director

REPORT OF NORTH ANDOVER AND BOXFORD DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' SERVICE

	N. Andover	Boxford	Total
Balance Carried Over From 1964	$27.64	$6.28	$33.92
Appropriated in 1965, Section 11 Chapter 599, Acts of 1946	1,088.26	171.74	1,260.00
	$1,115.90	$178.02	$1,293.92
Expended to Dec. 31, 1965 (A)	1,090.21	172.04	1,262.25
Balance, December 31, 1965	$ 25.69	$ 5.98	$ 31.67

(A) Basis for Apportionment Chapter 660, Acts of 1963
An Act establishing the basis for apportionment of State and County Taxes

North Andover	$26,718.000	.8637 per cent
Boxford	4,216.000	.1363 per cent

District Department of Veterans Service
JAMES J. MAKER, District Treasurer

REPORT OF NORTH ANDOVER AND BOXFORD DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS SERVICE

Bernard W. Bingham (Salary)	$1,200.00
New England Telephone (Services)	50.75
Veterans Information Service (G. Spilman, Director)	9.00
Thomas J. McGrail (District Treasurer Bonds)	2.50
Total	$1,262.25

Respectfully submitted,
BERNARD W. BINGHAM,
Agent

REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Fire Department respectfully submits the following report for 1965:

Total Runs Made

Buildings	15	Locked Out of House	1
Brush	23	Car Accidents	4
Ambulance	20	False Alarms	17
Chimney	5	Pumping Cellars	4
Grass	15	Lost Persons	2
Dump	7	Stoves	2
Cars	6	Mutual Aid	6

Again this year a number of men from the Department attended Fire School in Fitzwilliam. Some of the men attended a rescue course at Bradley Palmer.

In late April, a 1958 Cadillac ambulance was purchased by the Town from Superior Coach of Medford. It replaced a 1957 ambulance originally owned by the Civil Defense.

Improvements have been made to each station. The meeting room at East station is nearly completed. West station now has running water.

TO REPORT A FIRE: East Boxford 887-2727
West Boxford 372-7331

PLEASE STATE KIND OF FIRE. BE SURE TO GIVE YOUR NAME, STREET AND LOCATION AND **LET THE FIRE DEPARTMENT HANG UP FIRST.**

In closing I wish to thank each of my men for all the extra time and effort they have given to the Department. I also wish to thank the various town departments for their help and co-operation in the past year.

Respectfully submitted,
C. RICHARD CUNNINGHAM,
Chief of Fire Department

REPORT OF THE TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE

There was no work done in the Town Forest in 1965. An inspection was made and all roads seemed to be in good condition.

Signs pertaining to Fire and the preservation of plant material were made to be put up at the entrances to the Forest. However, it was late in the year when they were received so will be put up in the spring.

Respectfully submitted,
WALTER K. MORSS
WINTHROP P. HAYNES
ROBERT B. PARKHURST

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE RECREATION COMMITTEE

The Recreation Committee reports to the town on the following:

SWIMMING: The impetus for the creation of our committee was lack of a town-owned swimming area. It is a source of much concern to us, that acquiring such facilities is not in the immediate future.

Upon our recommendation, the town purchased 21 acres on Baldpate Pond in January 1962. However, cost of developing roads, parking area and beach would be so excessive, that in

light of other more necessary capital expenditures, no actual planning has been done.

Subsequently, an offer from Dr. M. Shulman and Mr. M. Alpers was made to the town at the time of rezoning the Baldpate area as follows — ". . . it is the intention of the developers to arrange for some type of town swimming facility in the upper left hand corner where Baldpate Road meets Baldpate Pond, near the present beach area."

The Baldpate Swimming area presently operated by the Couples Club of First Congregational Church provides a most needed facility for the town. However, improvements are necessary, and enlargements of the existing beach almost mandatory by the number of people using the beach. The Recreation Committee is unable to offer any financial aid, as tax collected funds may not be spent to improve privately owned property.

The committee was greatly dismayed to learn that the State will be able to accomplish for all residents of Massachusetts, what Boxford was not able to accomplish for its own residents — a swimming area on Baldpate Pond.

BASEBALL: The Committee completed the original plans for the Little League Field at Spofford Pond School with the addition of a backstop. The field at the Gardner Morse School was improved, and both fields were maintained through the summer months, making them available as play fields after conclusion of the organized Little League activities. Both fields will require continual improvement and maintenance.

The field at the Harry Lee Cole School is in need of improvement. However, this field is used as a playground for the elementary school grades, and the almost constant use by both school and Little League make reseeding it impractical, if not impossible, at this time.

HOCKEY AND ICE SKATING: The hockey and ice skating rinks continue to present problems of maintenance to the committee. The lack of a convenient and dependable source of water in conjunction with lack of proper ice clearing equipment creates constant and changing problems of maintenance.

The Winter of 1965 found no water in either skating area because of the drought. Lack of water supply prevented flooding the area once the ground was frozen, a temporary measure at best.

BASKETBALL: The outdoor courts at Cole and Morse Schools are in almost constant usage. The committee has received requests to provide lights at the Morse School, so that the court there may be used for even longer hours.

FOURTH OF JULY: The committee sponsored a Steering Committee headed by Mr. Charles Killam for the 1965 celebration. This was considered most successful by the residents of Boxford. The Committee plans to continue this celebration as an annual event.

PLANNING: This was considered to be the most important project for the very near future. The creation of facilities necessary for recreational pursuits by either developing presently owned land or planning for future acquisitions would seem to be too important an issue not to seek out the best advice we can find. The Committee therefore is requesting funds from the town so that this may be accomplished.

Respectfully submitted,

SHIRLEY L. MacGILL, Chairman
MARIAN COLBY, Sec. and Treas.
WILLIAM DAVIS
DAVID DOUGHTY
GORDON PRICE

REPORT OF THE CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR

Gentlemen:

During the past year several meetings were attended with directors from this area. Numerous communications drills were held with Sector Headquarters.

The recent power blackout brought out the need of a standby generator at the West Fire House. The East Fire

House with a 5,000 watt generator operated satisfactorily with all equipment on.

The cooperation of all departments and officials of the town is appreciated.

Respectfully,

GORDON A. RUSSELL,

Director

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

The communicable diseases reported to the Board of Health during 1065 are as follows:

Diseases	No. of Cases
Chicken Pox	9
Measles	10
Animal Bite	5
Mumps	1
Menengitis (Hemophilus influenza)	1

On May 22nd, a clinic was held for vaccinations. A number of people attended and received immunization as follows:

Measles	40
Polio	125
Small pox	30

Another clinic was held on June 5th at which time 17 received measles vaccine, 44 poliomeylitis and 38 small pox.

A suplus of all vaccines remaining after the clinics, was administered to adults and children on appointment with Dr. Brackbill and Mrs. John Hunter, the school nurse, but the exact figures are not obtainable.

A Rabies clinic was held at the Town Hall on May 5th at which time 110 dogs were inoculated.

Licenses were granted during the year as follows: Recreational Camps, Slaughter, Milk Dealers, Milk Producers, Manufacturers of Ice Cream, and Oleo.

This Board has been concerned for many years with the importance of immunizing all adults to certain infectious diseases. The recent television National Health Quiz (part II)

revealed that over half the participants thought that one vaccination for small pox conferred a life long immunity. This is quite far from the truth and with the increasing travel abroad, it is quite important to keep in mind that no one can return to the United States without a vaccination certificate showing proof of vaccination within a period of three years. This requires an official Board of Health certificate which may be obtained from Miss Perley at the Town Hall.

There has been placed on file in the Selectmen's room a manual from the U. S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare giving information concerning immunization for international travel. Any one contemplating a foreign journey particularly to Asiatic, African and Mideastern countries is urged to consult this well in advance of departure, in order to obtain the necessary inoculations by their physician. Whether adults are contemplating foreign travel or not, they are urged to heed this advice concerning small pox vaccine. Any adult who has never had measles should certainly receive immunization. This is also true of poliomeylitis.

Your attention was called to the fact that bats can carry rabies in our report for 1961. In our last year's report, the statement was made that bats seen in the day time sitting immobile on a rock undoubtedly are sick animals and should be collected with great care to be tested for rabies. A recent report issued by the State Board of Health stated that during the period of July, 1962 through December 1963, 520 bats were collected from 56 different sites in southern New England. A total of 8 positives were detected only 3 of which were dead or obviously sick at the time of collection. The others showed no sign of ill health. All the positive bats came from eastern Massachusetts and as indicated in our report last year, a total of 12 rabid bats were identified. A review of the 1964 report is suggested.

As stated in the 1964 report, there were no cases of rabies in the human since 1935 and no rabid dogs were found from 1949 to the date of our report. In November of this year, one rabid dog was found in Rhode Island which resulted in a re-

quirement that all dogs must be leashed and receive rabies vaccine and wear a metal tag indicating the date of inoculation.

The problem of the disposal of waste is a very serious one throughout the land. Boxford is fortunate in having a dump which is relatively isolated with soil that provides good drainage and which can also be removed for fill so that the dump area is increased each year. One serious problem has been brought about by the disposal of brush and large stumps brought in by contractors working in the village. It has been decided to follow the example of Topsfield and make a charge of $2.00 for a load of brush and $5.00 for a load of stumps. This will only partially defray the expense of burning. It will be necessary to employ Mr. Alerson Noyes more days per week to supervise the dump. These fees will help to offset his increased stipend and the cost can be passed on by the builder to the homeowner.

All housewives are strongly urged against mixing garbage with the trash taken to the dump. All tin cans containing particles of food should be carefully rinsed so that the rat population will not explode.

Respectfully submitted,

STEPHEN MADDOCK, M.D.
CHARLES H. PINKHAM, II
HARRY L. COLE
Board of Health

REPORT OF THE SANITARY ENGINEER

Honorable Board of Health
Town Hall
Boxford, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

This is my report for the year 1965:

In the course of this past year, I completed final inspections of 69 sewage disposal installations at new homes. In addition, there was one entire system renovation and there were new systems completed at the addition to the Masconomet Regional School, the Camelot Swim Club, Camp Rotary, and the West Boxford Fire Station. Before these were finally approved, due consideration was given to the relative locations of wells and sources of contamination in the areas. Four permits were revoked due to the expiration of time allowed in the granting of the permits; five permits were refused because of unsatisfactory conditions.

Water samples were taken from the Spofford Pond School, a residence where special conditions were suspected, and from the various wells and swimming areas of recreational camps in the town. pH determinations were made at the two semi-public swimming pools. There, results of all 16 samples showed safe conditions.

In the course of the summer, I inspected the new swim club and the recreational camps. Some required reinspections before all provisions of "The Sanitary Code" were met.

Among the miscellaneous activities were inspections of the nursing home, and conferences on well locations. There were occasional complaints that required investigation.

Respectfully yours,

TRACY I. FLAGG, P.E.
Sanitary Engineer

REPORT OF THE CENTRAL ESSEX WELFARE DISTRICT

Old Age Assistance	5
Medical Aid for the Aged	7
Disability Assistance	2
Aid to Families with Dependent Children	3

Boxford's case count remains the same with a change in distribution of the type of categorical assistance. Medical costs continue to be a large item, but are slightly reduced from 1964:

1962	1963	1964	1965
$8,040.32	$9,628.41	$10,231.47	$9,687.24

Nursing homes are 78% of the figure, costing $6,745 for the year; next are hospitals, 12.2%, costing $1,217.02; next, drugs, 7.2%, costing $728.82; then doctors, 2.5%, costing $250.00; dentists, 2.4%, costing $234.00; and the balance to out-patient departments, visiting nurse, laboratory fees, ambulance, foot doctors, etc.

1965 saw the passage of many amendments to the Social Security Act, and of specific interest is the provision of Medicare for all persons over 65, whether or not these persons ever contributed to Social Security. To be eligible, a person must register before March 31, 1966. This will entitle him to the basic hospital plan. In addition, the payment of $3.00 per month, beginning July 1, 1966, will entitle him to additional medical coverage — primarily, physicians' services. This payment will be matched by the Federal Government.

There are many provisions and conditions to be met for the various benefits, and time limits set for periods of eligibility. The Social Security Offices have pamphlets available explaining the coverage, and your local Welfare Office will be glad to answer questions in regard to details.

Medicare will, in the future, have an effect upon the present costs of hospital care, nursing home care, doctors' visits, nursing visits, and some medical equipment. This cannot presently be estimated as the conditions for eligibility would exclude present nursing home cases. However, between the Federal Medicare Insurance Program, and the public as-

sistance categorical program, the needs of our elderly citizens in times of illness will be met.

Massachusetts has a comprehensive Medical Care Program for all categories of assistance, and emphasis for adequate supportive and preventive medical care are an accepted way of life in public welfare here.

The Director wishes to thank all of the town officials, and the townspeople, for their help and cooperation in the past year.

Respectfully submitted,
PHYLLIS R. BROWN,
Director

REPORT OF THE MORSE HOUSE COMMITTEE

Again, owing to the continued drought conditions of spring, summer, and fall of 1965, no planting or landscaping of the area was attempted. However, some grading and setting out of a few small pines was done. This, by the West Boxford Improvement Association and they will help in further ways during 1966.

It is planned to put up a dry stone wall along the roadside near the bronze plaque, so that cars won't park in the memorial area. Also to discourage the dumping of rubbish as did occur a few times during 1965.

We plan and hope that 1966 will see this memorial, a finished and attractive tribute to the nine Morse and Parker sons who served in the Civil War from this house.

Respectfully submitted,
Arthur R. Beal, for
WINTHROP P. HAYNES,
Chairman

REPORT OF MICROFILMING COMMITTEE

At the March 1, 1965 Town Meeting, an appropriation of $100 was made for the microfilming and preservation of early town records.

Graphic Microfilm of New England, Inc. was engaged to do the work at a cost of $90.55. The Committee selected the following:

Proprietors' Record Book, 1700, which includes layout of original divisions of land in Rowley Village, now Boxford.

Vol. 1, Town Meeting Records, 1681 - 1741, which include transactions even prior to incorporation of Boxford in 1685; building first meeting house; hiring first minster; assessments, layout of roads, etc.

Vol. II, Town Meeting Records, 1741 - 1793

Vol. III, Town Meeting Records, 1793 - 1831

Vol. IV, Town Meeting Records, 1831 - 1857

Needing to be done:

1 Vol. Assessors' Records, 1799

1 Vol. Assessors' Tabulated Records, 1799

Vol. V, Town Meeting Records, 1857-1893 which include all town business until 1893.

Vol. VI, VII, VIII, IX, Town Meeting Records only from 1893.

Boxford has nearly complete records and it is important that these steps be taken toward their preservation.

The Microfilm Committee,
WINTHROP P. HAYNES
RUBY F. NASON
WINNIFRID C. PARKHURST

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Our population has increased by approximately 200 each year since 1955, which means there are three times as many people in town now than there were ten years ago. This makes greater demands for all kinds of services. It is fortunate, however, that our new residents are very desirable citizens who are fond of the town and seem happy to be here.

The 1965 State Census was taken by several ladies of the town, and the official figure for the population is 3,004.

There was an "Open House" at the new location of the Central Essex Welfare District office in Middleton Square. Members of the Welfare Boards and their wives attended from Topsfield, Middleton and Boxford.

The Selectmen accepted an invitation to attend a meeting of the Boston Regional Planning Board which was held in the Town Hall in Methuen. The topic of the meeting was "Transportation."

In February the Topsfield-Boxford Thrift Shop, operated by the Topsfield-Boxford Community Club for the benefit of the community nurse, had a grand opening at the new and more commodious quarters on Main Street in Topsfield.

During the year there were minor repairs made at the Community House; repairs and improvements were made at Lincoln Hall, and the floor in the upper hall at the Town Hall was varnished in preparation for the weekly dancing classes and the front steps were repaired.

On April 19th, tree planting ceremonies took place at the Historical House, Lincoln Hall, and the Spofford Pond School. The trees were a gift from Mr. Greenwood and the one at the Historical Society House is a thornless locust, an oak at Lincoln Hall and a linden at the Spofford Pond School.

The Town was represented at a hearing in Boston regarding prices paid for rock salt which is used for snow and ice removal by the Highway Department.

In April there was a Civil Defense Conference for this area held at Holiday Inn on Route 114, Lawrence, to discuss emergency communications, etc.

A seminar was held at Colonial Inn in Lynnfield sponsored by the DuPont Company with an illustrated lecture on roadside and public grounds improvement, including brush cutting, landscaping, and what to use and not to use in pesticides.

A 1958 Cadillac ambulance was purchased which is to be serviced by the firemen and kept at the West Boxford Fire Station. The old 1954 ambulance was sold at auction for the sum of $140.00.

Two hospital beds, mattresses and other articles were received from the Holmes estate and are stored in the Aaron Wood School to be available to any resident of Town.

The Town adopted a life and hospital insurance plan available to employees who work 20 hours or more per week. The life insurance is with the Salem Five Cents Savings Bank and the hospital service is with Blue Cross-Blue Shield.

On behalf of the Recreation Committee, a meeting with Mr. Savoy of the New England Power Company was arranged to discuss the possibility of using the 49½ acres south of Hovey's Pond, owned by the Power Company, for recreation purposes.

In June, several residents of Town took part in the celebration of the 325th anniversary of the City of Haverhill. The chairman of the Board of Selectmen extended the greetings of the Town.

On July 3rd, there was a formal opening of the Camelot Swim Club, a new recreation area off Route 97, east of Route 95.

The annual Fourth of July parade and celebration was the best ever.

In August a routine audit by the State Bureau of Accounts was made.

A permit to the Michaud Bus Line was granted for bus service to Boston via Route 97 from Georgetown to Route 95.

A meeting was held in the Boxford Town Hall with representatives of the Northern Essex and North Shore Mental Health Associations in order to make final arrangements to transfer the Town from the Haverhill area to the Salem area

so that all Masconomet students would be served in the same district, since both Topsfield and Middleton were in the North Shore area.

Discussions have been held here and in Topsfield regarding a communication system which would include Civil Defense, Fire, and Police calls.

During the year a section of Washington Street in West Boxford Village was hot-topped under Chapter 90 Maintenance, and late in the year a section of Topsfield Road was done using Selectmen's Highway Funds.

Under Chapter 90 Construction an adjustment in the guard rail and driveway at the Dole Hill entrance was made which makes the approach safer and more satisfactory.

The 1965 layout for Middleton Road has been completed and the balance of the appropriation remains to continue work on this road in 1966 under Chapter 90 Construction.

Under Chapter 81, beside the usual maintenance of secondary roads, oiling and sanding where necessary, a major improvment was made at the intersection of Kelsey Road and Route 97.

Under the Selectmen's Highway Fund an extension of the culvert at the intersection of Glendale Road and Main Street was constructed, widening Glendale Road.

Under a fund set up by Mr. William E. Dorman, a short section of Chapman Way adjacent to Chapman Road was made 50 feet wide as required by the Town and was accepted as a public way.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY L. COLE
JOHN EVANS
CLAYTON B. LARRABEE
Board of Selectmen

REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT

RECEIPTS FOR 1965

Frederick A. Smallman, Collector		
Taxes, current year:		
Real Estate	$501,178.92	
Personal Property	51,493.52	
		$552,672.44
Taxes, previous year:		
Real Estate	$36,361.00	
Personal Property	1,704.70	
Poll	14.00	
		$38,079.70
Motor Vehicle Excise:		
Levy of 1963	$983.40	
Levy of 1964	11,949.25	
Levy of 1965	74,889.53	
		$87,822.18
Classified Forest Land:		
Levy of 1964	$4.95	
Levy of 1965	39.36	
		$44.31
Farm Animal Excise:		
Levy of 1964	$58.37	
Levy of 1965	106.19	
		$164.56
Commonwealth of Massachusetts:		
For Highways:		
Chapter 81 Maintenance	$18,150.00	
Chapter 90 Maintenance	1,200.00	
Chapter 90 Construction	16,853.58	
		$36,203.58
For Education:		
School Aid, Chapter 69	$1,634.97	
School Superintendent	1,794.11	
Dept. Education	2,449.93	

National Defense Education — Title IIIA	1,757.38	
Chapter 70, School Aid	65,799.37	
Aid, School Construction	2,845.47	
Education and Transportation	24,995.40	
Vocational Education	841.90	
State Aid to Libraries	502.50	
School Aid	23,000.00	
		$125,621.03
For Taxes, etc:		
Income Tax	$7,584.17	
Corporation Taxes	19,520.83	
Loss of Taxes	2,071.77	
Meal Tax, O.A.A.	565.55	
School Lunch Program	6,853.17	
		$36,595.49
For Aid and Relief:		
General Relief	$117.90	
Old Age Assistance	2,405.34	
Old Age Assistance, U.S. Grant	3,408.00	
Aid to Dependent Children	651.89	
Aid to Dependent Children, U.S. Grant	799.50	
Disability Assistance	381.45	
Disability Assistance, U.S. Grant	790.00	
Medical Aid for Aged	2,869.28	
Medical Aid for Aged, U.S. Grant	4,742.55	
Veterans' Benefits	455.64	
		$16,621.55
County of Essex:		
For Highways:		
Chapter 90, Construction	$8,426.79	
Dog License Refund	462.30	
		$8,889.09
Trust and Investment Funds:		
Interest on Schol Funds	$190.81	

J. T. Barker Fund	1,190.00	
Killam-Curtis	7.50	
Interest on Library Funds:		
East Parish	150.89	
West Parish	129.35	
		$1,668.55
Departmental Accounts:		
Tree Warden	$225.00	
Fire Department	40.00	
Board of Health	1,327.75	
Appeal Board	210.00	
School	144.83	
Planning Board	240.00	
Highway	1,822.25	
Sealer of Weights and Measures	37.00	
		$4,046.83
Licenses and Permits:		
Dogs	$773.50	
Slaughter	25.00	
Building and Sewerage	2,228.50	
Junk	7.00	
Revolver	68.00	
Gas	190.00	
Electrical	1,570.50	
Plumbing	635.50	
Ice Cream	5.00	
Milk	5.50	
Recreational Camp	1.00	
Lord's Day	.50	
Salesman	2.00	
Auctioneers	4.00	
		$5,516.00
Agency Accounts:		
Tax Sheltered Annuity	$400.00	
Life Insurance	195.36	
Blue Cross-Blue Shield	2,107.28	

County Retirement	3,615.21	
Federal Withholding Deductions	29,066.02	
State Withholding Deductions	3,449.88	
		$38,833.75
Unclassified:		
Interest on Deposits	$2,027.50	
Interest on Taxes	1,136.57	
Land Rent	20.00	
School Lunch Program	18,511.98	
Rent of Town Halls	644.00	
Slaughter Inspection Refund	608.14	
Departmental Refunds	694.63	
Pay Station Commission	78.54	
Court Fines	475.00	
Street Lists	20.00	
Maps	19.00	
Old Ambulance	140.00	
Community House Rent	180.00	
		$24,555.36
		$977,334.42

EXPENDITURES FOR 1965

General Government

Selectmen	$1,444.70
Board of Public Welfare	295.00
Assessors	2,543.18
Assessors' Maps	333.70
Treasurer	692.75
Town Clerk	559.00
Accountant	2,814.42
Collector	1,893.94
Registrars	73.50
Elections	133.38
Town Counsel	500.00

Conservation Commission	15.00	
Appeal Board	141.00	
Planning Board	138.50	
Building Inspector	1,000.00	
Wire Inspector	1,000.00	
Gas Inspector	500.00	
Finance Committee	55.50	
Recreation Committee	732.00	
Board of Health	4,441.33	
Inspector of Slaughtering	577.51	
Inspector of Animals	50.00	
Plumbing Inspector	650.00	
		$20,584.41

Protection of Persons and Property

Dog Officer	$67.00	
Police	19,809.28	
Ambulance	1,999.00	
Fire Department	12,844.51	
Tree Warden	1,822.75	
Moth Suppression	894.50	
Dutch Elm Disease Control	2,063.15	
Fire Station Improvement	1,724.55	
West Boxford and East Boxford Fire Stations — 1964 account	32.72	
		$41,257.46

Aid and Relief

Public Welfare	$501.00
Disability Assistance	1,532.76
Old Age Assistance	308.95
Disability Assistance, U.S. Grant	431.40
Old Age Assistance, U.S. Grant	6,705.32
Aid to Dependent Children	2,008.85
Aid to Dependent Children, U.S. Grant	408.63
Medical Aid to Aged	4,490.86
Medical Aid to Aged, U.S. Grant	4,675.33

Veterans' Benefits	4,489.86	
Central Essex Welfare District Admin.	683.60	
		$26,236.56

Schools and Libraries

School Department	$239,300.34	
School Acct. — U.S.P.L. No. 874	240.00	
School — 1964 Account	42.44	
School Lunch Program	24,599.08	
New Elementary School	501.77	
Regional District School	309,400.10	
East Parish Library	3,683.54	
West Parish Library	3,561.50	
		$581,328.77

Highways

Bare Hill Road — Chapter 782	$2.49	
Chapman Way	1,594.30	
Chapter 81 — Maintenance	21,020.85	
Chapter 90 Construction — 1964 Acct.	20,529.65	
Chapter 90 Construction	6,965.62	
Highway Equipment	600.00	
Highways and Bridges, Selectmen's Fund	3,200.00	
Snow Removal and Sanding	19,315.17	
Road Machinery Maintenance	2,851.76	
Chapter 90 Maintenance	3,596.30	
Street Lighting	879.50	
Vacation Account	1,009.40	
Sick Benefit	288.40	
		$81,853.44

Unclassified

Town Halls	$1,791.72
Public Grounds	116.13
Insurance	5,211.19
Town Forest	20.00
Memorial Day	220.00
Soldiers' Graves	200.00
Harmony Cemetery	150.00
Boxford Village Cemetery	150.00

Mt. Vernon Cemetery	50.00	
Clerical	1,496.25	
Community House	317.01	
Essex County Mosquito Control	2,111.05	
Conservation Fund	1,500.00	
Excise Tax Bills	327.75	
Town Reports	1,362.80	
Civil Defense	306.70	
Selectmen's Contingent Fund	533.50	
Veterans' Service District	171.74	
State Parks and Reservations	1,367.22	
Essex County Hospital	541.24	
County Tax	13,567.09	
County Retirement System	7,698.72	
State Audit	64.53	
Stabilization Fund	50,000.00	
Motor Vehicle Excise Refunds	3,678.87	
Real Estate Tax Refunds	1,772.16	
Dog Licenses to County	768.25	
Micro-Filming Old Records	90.55	
1965 Census	523.39	
Killam-Curtis Cemetery	7.50	
Land Taking	500.00	
Principal and Interest on Maturing Debt	34,705.00	
Personal Property Tax Refunds	14.10	
		$131,334.46

Agency Accounts

Tax Sheltered Annuity	$300.00	
Life Insurance	194.70	
Blue Cross - Blue Shield	2,110.26	
Federal Withholding Tax	29,066.02	
Group Life and Hospital Insurance	2,349.46	
Essex County Retirement	3,615.21	
State Withholding Tax	3,411.63	
		$41,047.28
TOTAL CASH PAYMENTS		$923,642.38

BALANCE SHEET

December 31, 1965

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

ASSETS

Cash: General		$252,773.92
Accounts Receivable:		
Taxes:		
Levy of 1959		
Real Estate		4.38
Levy of 1960		
Real Estate		10.34
Levy of 1961		
Real Estate		22.09
Levy of 1962		
Real Estate	$74.24	
Personal Property	303.00	
		377.24
Levy of 1963		
Real Estate	867.58	
Personal Property	196.95	
		1,064.53
Levy of 1964		
Real Estate	2,408.15	
Personal Property	117.00	
		2,525.15
Levy of 1965		
Real Estate	42,137.84	
Personal Property	2,063.04	
		44,200.88
Farm Animal Excise:		
Levy of 1965		51.79
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:		
Levy of 1964	481.92	
Levy of 1965	7,014.47	
		7,496.39

Departmental:		
Aid to Dependent Children	319.45	
Veterans' Services	189.07	
Snow Removal	434.25	
		942.77
Tax Title		54.53
State and County Aid to Highways		17,524.53
Blue Cross - Blue Shield		2.98
Essex County Mosquito Control		2,111.05
		$329,162.57

DEBT ACCOUNT

Net Funded or Fixed Debt	$113,000.00

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Trust Funds, Cash and Securities	$291,247.13

LIABILITIES

Reserve until collected:		
Tax Title	$54.53	
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise Revenue	7,412.24	
Departmental Revenue	942.77	
Special Assessment Revenue	51.79	
State and County Aid to Highway Revenue	17,524.53	
		$25,985.86
Overlay Reserved for Abatement of Taxes:		
Levy of 1959	$4.38	
Levy of 1960	10.34	
Levy of 1961	22.09	
Levy of 1962	377.24	
Levy of 1963	1,064.53	
Levy of 1964	2,525.15	
Levy of 1965	14,974.74	
		$18,978.47
Motor Vehicle Excise—1963		84.15
Overlay Surplus, Reserve		52,291.78

Excess and Deficiency		149,343.83
Dog Licenses		5.25
Appropriation Accounts:		
Assessors' Maps	$9,390.17	
Goodwin Plans—1954 Account	100.00	
Accountant—1965 Account	50.00	
Recreation Committee—1965 Account	72.00	
Fire Stations—Improvements—1965 Acct.	575.45	
Chap. 90—Construction—1965 Acct.	13,034.38	
School—1965 Account	1,062.59	
School Bldg. Committee—1962 Account	438.48	
New Elementary School	311.21	
Morse House—1964 Account	44.77	
Life Insurance	.66	
Speed Control Signs	100.00	
		$25,179.71
U. S. Grants:		
Disability Assistance	$5,682.95	
Aid to Dependent Children	6,098.17	
Old Age Assistance	5,559.74	
Medical Aid to Aged	7,890.07	
School Aid—Public Law No. 874	11,356.80	
School Aid—National Defense	2,188.34	
		$38,776.07
Road Machinery Fund		4,124.43
School Lunch Program		5,643.23
J. T. Barker Fund		7,690.00
Civil Defense		129.37
Tax Sheltered Annuity		100.00
Trask Road		100.00
Overestimates:		
County Tax	$613.47	
State Parks and Reservations	116.95	
		730.42
		$329,162.57

DEBT ACCOUNT

School Loans	$113,000.00

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

LIABILITIES

Town Farm Fund	$47,326.17	
Post War Rehabilitation	5,415.56	
Sarah P. Perley Fund	2,258.55	
Curtis-Killam Burial Lot Fund	385.91	
East Parish Library	3,500.00	
West Parish Library	3,000.00	
East Parish Library Cote Fund	1,404.62	
Boxford Visiting Nurse Association	1,349.33	
Town School Fund	4,500.00	
Stabilization Fund	218,899.53	
Conservation Fund	3,207.46	
		$291,247.13

DETAIL OF EXPENDITURES FOR 1965

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Selectmen

Appropriation		$1,450.00
Refund		1.98
Salaries, Selectmen	$1,350.00	
Office Expense	50.70	
State and County Association Dues	44.00	
Total Expenditures	$1,444.70	
Balance to Revenue	7.28	
	$1,451.98	$1,451.98

Board of Public Welfare

Appropriation		$300.00
Salaries, Board of Public Welfare	$285.00	
Association Dues	10.00	
Total Expenditures	$295.00	
Balance to Revenue	5.00	
	$300.00	$300.00

Board of Assessors

Appropriation		$2,500.00
Refund		48.53
Salaries, Board of Assessors	$1,750.00	
Clerical	416.51	
Abstracts	170.15	
Office Supplies	194.52	
State and County Association Dues	12.00	
Total Expenditures	$2,543.18	
Balance to Revenue	5.35	
	$2,548.53	$2,548.53

Assessors' Maps

Balance from 1964		$9,723.87
Maps	$53.70	
Mapping	280.00	
Total Expenditures	$333.70	
Balance to 1966	9,390.17	
	$9,723.87	$9,723.87

Treasurer

Appropriation		$700.00
Salary, Treasurer	$400.00	
Bond	133.00	
Office Supplies	151.35	

Rent, Safety Deposit Vault	4.40	
State Association Dues	4.00	
Total Expenditures	$692.75	
Balance to Revenue	7.25	
	$700.00	$700.00

Town Clerk

Appropriation		$600.00
Services, Town Clerk	$434.75	
Bond	10.00	
Clerical	5.25	
Office Expense	101.00	
Association Dues	8.00	
Total Expenditures	$559.00	
Balance to Revenue	41.00	
	$600.00	$600.00

Collector

Appropriation		$2,000.00
Salary, Collector	$1,200.00	
Bonds	211.00	
Office Expense	465.44	
State Association Dues	4.00	
Deputy Collector	13.50	
Total Expenditures	$1,893.94	
Balance to Revenue	106.06	
	$2,000.00	$2,000.00

Accountant

Appropriation		$2,900.00
Salary, Accountant	$2,000.00	
Office Expense	386.54	

Clerical	427.88	
Total Expenditures	$2,814.42	
Carried to 1966	50.00	
Balance to Revenue	35.58	
	$2,900.00	$2,900.00

Town Counsel

Appropriation		$500.00
Salary, Town Counsel	$500.00	
	$500.00	$500.00

Finance Committee

Appropriation		$150.00
Association Dues	$15.00	
Office Expense	40.50	
Total Expenditures	$55.50	
Balance to Revenue	94.50	
	$150.00	$150.00

Registrars

Appropriation		$200.00
Salaries, Board of Registrars	$73.50	
Total Expenditures	$73.50	
Balance to Revenue	126.50	
	$200.00	$200.00

Elections

Appropriation		$300.00
Services, Town Clerk	$17.50	
Clerical	14.88	

Printing	90.00	
Miscellaneous	11.00	
Total Expenditures	$133.38	
Balance to Revenue	166.62	
	$300.00	$300.00

Appeal Board

Appropriation		$300.00
Advertising	$91.00	
Office Expense	50.00	
Total Expenditures	$141.00	
Balance to Revenue	159.00	
	$300.00	$300.00

Planning Board

Appropriation		$300.00
Advertising	$45.50	
Printing	93.00	
Total Expenditures	$138.50	
Balance to Revenue	161.50	
	$300.00	$300.00

Conservation Commission

Appropriation		$1,515.00
Association Dues	$15.00	
Deposit in Bank	1,500.00	
	$1,515.00	$1,515.00

Town Recreation Committee

Appropriation		$1,200.00
Ballfields:		
Backstop	$422.00	
Mowing	231.00	

Plowing Rink	30.00	
Sign	20.00	
Electricity	20.00	
Miscellaneous	9.00	
Total Expenditures	$732.00	
Carried to 1966	72.00	
Balance to Revenue	396.00	
	$1,200.00	$1,200.00

Building Inspector

Appropriation		$1,000.00
Services, Building Inspector	$950.00	
Office Expense	50.00	
	$1,000.00	$1,000.00

Wire Inspector

Appropriation		$1,000.00
Services, Wire Inspector	$530.00	
Office Expense	200.00	
Milage	270.00	
	$1,000.00	$1,000.00

Plumbing Inspector

Appropriation		$500.00
Transfer from Inspection		150.00
Services, Plumbing Inspector	$650.00	
	$650.00	$650.00

Gas Inspector

Appropriation		$500.00
Services, Gas Inspector	$220.50	
Office Expense	200.00	
Mileage	79.50	
	$500.00	$500.00

HEALTH AND SANITATION

Board of Health

Appropriation		$4,000.00
Transfer from Interest on Loans		300.00
Transfer from Insurance		200.00
Salaries, Board of Health	$250.00	
Services, Sanitary Engineers	1,420.00	
Services, Dump caretaker	1,872.50	
Maintenance of Dump	469.25	
Supplies	340.89	
Rubbish Collection	4.00	
Clinic	28.00	
Transportation	18.52	
Telephone	32.17	
Association Dues	6.00	
Total Expenditures	$4,441.33	
Balance to Revenue	58.67	
	$4,500.00	$4,500.00

Inspectors of Slaughtering

Appropriation		$800.00
Salaries, Inspectors of Slaughtering	$577.51	
Plumbing Inspector, Transfer	150.00	
Total Expenditures	$727.51	
Balance to Revenue	72.49	
	$800.00	$800.00

Inspector of Animals

Appropriation		$50.00
Salary, Inspector of Animals	$50.00	
	$50.00	$50.00

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Dog Officer

Appropriation		$70.00
Salary, Dog Officer	$50.00	
Board and Disposal of Stray Dogs	17.00	
Total Expenditures	$67.00	
Balance to Revenue	3.00	
	$70.00	$70.00

Police

Appropriation		$15,000.00
Transfer from Reserve		5,000.00
Labor	$14,868.50	
Insurance	349.30	
Equipment	635.94	
Telephone	610.20	
Repairs	917.77	
Gasoline and Oil	1,556.19	
Supplies	104.22	
Mileage	302.70	
Fuel	192.32	
Office Supplies	188.84	
Signs	50.00	
Dues	4.00	
Electricity	29.30	
Total Expenditures	$19,809.28	
Balance to Revenue	190.72	
	$20,000.00	$20,000.00

Fire Warden

Appropriation		$11,000.00
Transfers from Reserve		1,839.26
Refund		5.25
Salaries	$1,155.00	

Labor	5,357.25	
Equipment	1,946.46	
Repairs	1,366.02	
Telephones	798.89	
Fuel	786.13	
Electricity	460.50	
Supplies	537.91	
Gasoline and Oil	436.35	
	$12,844.51	$12,844.51

West Boxford and East Boxford Fire Stations

Balance from 1964		$32.72
Carpenter	$32.72	
	$32.72	$32.72

Fire Stations — Improvements

Appropriation		$2,300.00
Water System	$475.41	
Septic System	395.00	
Lumber, etc.	354.97	
Plumbing	335.39	
Electrical	60.00	
Stove	13.78	
Heating	90.00	
Total Expenditures	$1,724.55	
Balance to 1966	575.45	
	$2,300.00	$2,300.00

Tree Warden

Appropriation		$2,000.00
Labor	$322.75	
Trucks	380.00	
Power Saw	190.00	

Contract Work	930.00	
Total Expenditures	$1,822.75	
Balance to Revenue	177.25	
	$2,000.00	$2,000.00

Moth Suppression

Appropriation		$1,400.00
Spraying	$482.00	
Supplies	412.50	
Total Expenditures	$894.50	
Transfer to Dutch Elm	63.15	
Balance to Revenue	442.35	
	$1,400.00	$1,400.00

Dutch Elm Disease Control

Appropriation		$2,000.00
Transfer from Moth		63.15
Labor	$239.15	
Power Saw	92.00	
Trucks	268.00	
Bulldozer	112.00	
Contract Work	1,316.00	
Clipper	36.00	
	$2,063.15	$2,063.15

CHARITIES, AID AND VETERANS' BENEFITS

Public Welfare

Appropriation		$2,000.00
Cash	$398.00	
Dentist	103.00	
Total Expenditures	$501.00	
Transfer to M.A.A.	1,499.00	
	$2,000.00	$2,000.00

Old Age Assistance

Appropriation		$1,500.00
Cash	$308.95	
Balance to Revenue	1,191.05	
	$1,500.00	$1,500.00

Old Age Assistance, U. S. Grant

Balance from 1964		$8,791.26
Federal Grants		3,408.00
Refunds		65.80
Cash	$6,705.32	
Balance to 1966	5,559.74	
	$12,265.06	$12,265.06

Aid to Dependent Children

Appropriation		$3,000.00
Refunds		200.00
Cash	$2,008.85	
Balance to Revenue	1,191.15	
	$3,200.00	$3,200.00

Aid to Dependent Children, U. S. Grant

Balance from 1964		$5,707.30
Federal Grants		799.50
Cash	$408.63	
Balance to 1966	6,098.17	
	$6,506.80	$6,506.80

Disability Assistance

Appropriation		$3,000.00
Refund		37.55
Cash	$1,532.76	
Transfer to Veterans' Benefits	1,400.00	
Balance to Revenue	104.79	
	$3,037.55	$3,037.55

Disability Assistance, U. S. Grant

Balance from 1964		$5,324.35
Federal Grants		790.00
Cash	$431.40	
Balance to 1966	5,682.95	
	$6,114.35	$6,114.35

Medical Aid for the Aged

Appropriation		$3,000.00
Refunds		124.85
Transfer from Public Welfare		1,499.00
Cash	$4,490.86	
Balance to Revenue	132.99	
	$4,623.85	$4,623.85

Medical Aid for the Aged, U. S. Grant

Balance from 1964		$7,822.85
Federal Grants		4,742.55
Cash	$4,675.33	
Balance to 1966	7,890.07	
	$12,565.40	$12,565.40

Central Essex Welfare District Administration

Appropriation		$683.60
Welfare District Expense	$683.60	
	$683.60	$683.60

Veterans' Benefits

Appropriation		$1,500.00
Transfer from Reserve		800.00
Transfer from Disability Assistance		1,400.00
Transfer from Insurance		900.00
Cash	$3,385.60	
Medical	590.36	

Nursing Home	501.80	
Miscellaneous	12.10	
Total Expenditures	$4,489.86	
Balance to Revenue	110.14	
	$4,600.00	$4,600.00

HIGHWAYS

Highways and Bridges — Selectmen's Fund

Appropriation		$3,000.00
Transfer from Town Reports		100.00
Transfer from Public Grounds		100.00
Labor	$279.80	
Trucks	90.75	
Loader	42.00	
Sand and Gravel	8.00	
Salt	110.31	
Highway Lines	188.00	
Hot Top	2,300.92	
Signs	34.52	
Oil	45.70	
Sawing Wood	100.00	
Total Expenditures	$3,200.00	$3,200.00

Chapter 90 — Construction, Washington Street — 1964 and Middleton Road

Balance from 1964		$20,545.55
Labor	$6,596.90	
Trucks	3,178.50	
Tractor	738.00	
Bulldozer	2,665.00	
Shovel	3,780.00	
Backhoe	18.00	
Grader	718.00	
Power Saw	304.00	

Roller	140.50	
Blasting	538.70	
Pipe	520.83	
Oil	962.81	
Patch	74.48	
Bounds	72.00	
Guard Rail	150.00	
Sand	32.59	
Painting Curb	38.00	
Grass Seed	1.34	
Use of Town Tools	15.90	
Total Expenditures	$20,545.55	$20,545.55

Chapter 81 — Maintenance

Appropriation		$3,300.00
State Allotment		18,150.00
Labor	$8,691.05	
Trucks	2,495.00	
Shovel	200.00	
Loader	486.00	
Grader	453.00	
Backhoe	30.00	
Roller	10.00	
Power Saw	22.00	
Sand and Gravel	2,235.28	
Oil	5,291.43	
Patch	1,048.10	
Tools	33.99	
Sky Worker	25.00	
Use of Town Tools	429.15	
	$21,450.00	$21,450.00

Bare Hill Road — Chapter 782

Balance from 1964		$2.49
Patch	$2.49	
	$2.49	$2.49

Chapman Way

Cash		$1,600.00
Labor	$281.10	
Trucks	282.25	
Saw	4.00	
Shovel	120.00	
Dozer	143.00	
Grader	45.00	
Loader	24.00	
Use of Town Tools	5.70	
Oil	153.28	
Sand and Gravel	445.56	
Total Expenditures	$1,503.89	
Balance to Dorman	96.11	
	$1,600.00	$1,600.00

Chapter 90 — Construction Middleton Road

State Allotment		$10,000.00
County Allotment		5,000.00
Appropriation		5,000.00
Labor	$1,871.10	
Trucks	389.75	
Grader	720.00	
Loader	336.00	
Fence	1,315.63	
Sand and Gravel	2,162.73	
Grass Seed	54.41	
Bounds	116.00	
Total Expenditures	$6,965.62	
Balance to 1966	13,034.38	
	$20,000.00	$20,000.00

Chapter 90 — Maintenance

State Allotment	$1,200.00
Appropriation	2,400.00

Labor	$85.80	
Trucks	4.50	
Patch	18.99	
Hot Top	3,487.01	
Use of Town Tools	3.70	
	$3,600.00	$3,600.00

Snow Removal and Sanding

Appropriation		$21,000.00
Refund		104.67
Labor	$5,481.20	
Trucks	2,351.25	
Trucks and Plows	2,365.75	
Sanders	924.50	
Loaders	630.00	
Sand	2,517.03	
Salt	5,045.44	
Use of Town Tools	1,789.50	
	$21,104.67	$21,104.67

Road Machinery Maintenance

Transfers from Road Machinery Fund		$3,000.00
Labor	$265.20	
Trucks	22.00	
Loader	3.00	
Gasoline, Oil and Kerosene	141.33	
Supplies	26.68	
Repairs	1,266.51	
Equipment	767.50	
Light	11.00	
Tools	37.04	
Lumber, Paint, etc.	103.35	
Fuel	191.90	
Telephone	13.25	

Registration	3.00	
Total Expenditures	$2,851.76	
Balance to Road Machinery Fund	148.24	
	$3,000.00	$3,000.00

Street Lighting

Appropriation		$900.00
Street Lights	$879.50	
Balance to Revenue	20.50	
	$900.00	$900.00

Sick Benefit

Appropriation		$300.00
Pay Rolls	$288.40	
Balance to Revenue	11.60	
	$300.00	$300.00

Highway Vacation Account

Appropriation		$1,200.00
Vacation Payrolls	$1,009.40	
Balance to Revenue	190.60	
	$1,200.00	$1,200.00

SCHOOLS AND LIBRARIES

All Schools

Appropriation		$243,347.00
Teachers' Salaries:		
School Teachers	$131,942.14	
Substitutes	1,886.50	
Supervisory	19,076.58	
Superintendence:		
Salary	5,257.80	

Clerks	6,412.21	
Expense	421.13	
Health:		
Nurse	1,612.80	
Physician	500.00	
Supplies	34.64	
Tuition	1,151.95	
Transportation	29,152.00	
Miscellaneous:		
Janitors	13,660.43	
Attendance Officer	10.00	
Committee Expense	290.07	
Books	4,715.11	
Supplies	3,666.73	
Fuel	5,133.09	
Electricity	3,557.20	
Telephones	569.61	
Repairs	1,700.85	
Census	100.00	
Office Expense	221.65	
Supervisors' Expense	341.80	
Insurance	4,076.98	
Janitors' Supplies	1,656.95	
Grounds	749.69	
Guidance	175.72	
Music	88.20	
Moving Furniture	30.00	
Equipment	548.46	
Rubbish Collection	357.75	
Library Survey	100.00	
Gas	102.30	
Total Expenditures	$239,300.34	
Carried to 1966	1,062.59	
Balance to Revenue	2,984.07	
	$243,347.00	$243,347.00

School — 1964 Account

Balance from 1964		$43.72
Tuition	$21.00	
Telephone	18.00	
Transportation	3.44	
Total Expenditures	$42.44	
Balance to Revenue	1.28	
	$43.72	$43.72

New Elementary School

Balance from 1964		$812.98
Contractor	$356.94	
Architect	129.52	
Library Books	8.96	
Janitors' Supplies	6.35	
Total Expenditures	$501.77	
Balace to 1966	311.21	
	$812.98	$812.98

School Lunch Program

Balance from 1964		$4,877.16
State Grants		6,853.17
Cash		18,511.98
Salaries	$9,458.69	
Food	13,858.19	
Equipment	655.20	
Supplies	29.50	
Gas	588.50	
Miscellaneous	9.00	
Total Expenditures	$24,599.08	
Balance to 1966	5,643.23	
	$30,242.31	$30,242.31

Regional District School

Appropriation		$309,400.10
Masconomet Regional District School	$309,400.10	
	$309,400.10	$309,400.10

East Parish Library

Appropriation		$3,000.00
Half Dog Licenses Refund from County		231.15
60% State Aid to Public Libraries		301.50
Interest — Invested Funds		150.89
Operation Expense Refunded to Association	$3,683.54	
	$3,683.54	$3,683.54

West Parish Library

Appropriation		$3,000.00
Half Dog Licenses Refund from County		231.15
40% State Aid to Public Libraries		201.00
Interest — Invested Funds		129.35
Operation Expense Refunded to Association	$3,561.50	
	$3,561.50	$3,561.50

UNCLASSIFIED

Town Halls

Appropriation		$2,000.00
Janitors	$401.16	
Fuel	421.78	
Light	243.85	
Telephone	244.81	
Repairs	447.81	

Supplies	32.31	
Total Expenditures	$1,791.72	
Balance to Revenue	208.28	
	$2,000.00	$2,000.00

Public Grounds

Appropriation		$300.00
Mowing Commons	$116.13	
Total Expenditures	$116.13	
Transfer to Selectmen's Highway Fund	100.00	
Balance to Revenue	83.87	
	$300.00	$300.00

Town Forest

Appropriation		$100.00
Sign	$20.00	
Balance to Revenue	80.00	
	$100.00	$100.00

Soldiers' Graves

Appropriation		$225.00
East Parish Cemeteries	$100.00	
West Parish Cemeteries	100.00	
Balance to Revenue	25.00	
	$225.00	$225.00

Harmony Cemetery

Appropriation		$150.00
Maintenance	$150.00	
	$150.00	$150.00

Boxford Village Cemetery

Appropriation		$150.00
Maintenance	$150.00	
	$150.00	$150.00

Mt. Vernon Cemetery

Appropriation		$50.00
Maintenance	$50.00	
	$50.00	$50.00

Memorial Day

Appropriation		$525.00
American Legion Post #379	$220.00	
Balance to Revenue	305.00	
	$525.00	$525.00

Clerical

Appropriation		$1,500.00
Clerical	$1,496.25	
Balance to Revenue	3.75	
	$1,500.00	$1,500.00

Community House

Appropriation		$300.00
Transfer from Town Reports		37.20
Electricity	$39.49	
Repairs	277.52	
Total Expenditures	$317.01	
Balance to Revenue	20.19	
	$337.20	$337.20

Town Reports

Appropriation		$1,500.00
Town Reports	$1,312.80	
Delivery	50.00	
Total Expenditures	$1,362.80	
Transfer to Selectmen's Highway Fund	100.00	
Transfer to Community House	37.20	
	$1,500.00	$1,500.00

Civil Defense

Balance from 1964		$221.07
Appropriation		215.00
Director's Salary	$100.00	
Telephone	33.93	
Maintenance of Equipment	60.55	
Communications	112.22	
Total Expenditures	$306.70	
Balance to 1966	129.37	
	$436.07	$436.07

Contingency Fund

Appropriation		$1,000.00
Masconomet School Rent	$47.50	
Perambulation	77.00	
Printing	87.50	
Labor	22.00	
Survey	53.75	
Advertising	39.42	
Use Happy Health Beach	100.00	
Recording Deeds	13.00	
Dog Board	53.00	

Salt	40.33	
Total Expenditures	$533.50	
Balance to Revenue	466.50	
	$1,000.00	$1,000.00

Interest and Amortization of School Loan

Appropriation		$35,005.00
Interest	$3,705.00	
Payment on Principal	31,000.00	
Total Expenditures	$34,705.00	
Transfer to Board of Health	300.00	
	$35,005.00	$35,005.00

Reserve Fund

Appropriation from Overlay Fund		$15,000.00
Total Transfers	$7,988.72	
Balance to Overlay Reserve	7,011.28	
	$15,000.00	$15,000.00

Insurance

Appropriation		$6,314.19
Refund		59.18
Compensation	$923.55	
Liability	627.76	
Motor Vehicle Liability	2,495.69	
Fire	295.57	
Fire, Theft and Collision	324.12	
Accident, Fire Department	544.50	
Total Expenditures	$5,211.19	
Transfer to Veterans' Benefits	$900.00	
Transfer to Board of Health	200.00	

Balance to Revenue	62.18	
	$6,373.37	$6,373.37

Respectfully submitted,

BARBARA C. PERLEY,
Town Accountant

REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER

The Receipts and Disbursements in the General Cash Account for the year 1965 were as follows:

Balance, January 1, 1965		$199,081.88
Tax Collector	$679,919.76	
Commonwealth of Massachusetts:		
Highways	36,203.58	
Education	125,621.03	
Taxes	29,742.32	
Old Age Assistance, Grants	5,813.34	
Aid to Dependent Children, Grants	1,451.39	
Disability Assistance, Grants	1,171.45	
Medical Aid to Aged	7,611.83	
Veterans' Benefits	455.64	
School Lunch Program	6,853.17	
General Relief	117.90	
County of Essex:		
Highways	8,426.79	
Dog License Refund	462.30	
Trust Funds, Income	1,668.55	
Departmental Receipts	4,046.83	
Licenses and Permits	5,516.00	
Income from Town Property	844.00	
Federal Withholding Tax Account	29,066.02	
State Withholding Tax Account	3,449.88	
Departmental Refunds	1,302.77	
School Lunch Program	18,511.98	
County Retirement Account	3,615.21	
Court Fines	475.00	

Telephone Commission	78.54	
Interest	2,027.50	
Sale of Maps and Street Lists	39.00	
Sale of Ambulance	140.00	
Life Insurance	195.36	
Tax Sheltered Annuities	400.00	
Blue Cross	2,107.28	
		$977,334.42
		$1,176,416.30
Disbursements:		
Treasury Warrants as issued by Accountant and approved by Selectmen	$923,642.38	
		$923,642.38
		$252,773.92

For a more detailed statement of Receipts and Disbursements, see report of Town Accountant.

REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS AND ACCOUNTS

STABILIZATION FUND

Georgetown Savings Bank, Book 14821:	
Balance January 1, 1965	$1,387.92
Interest for year 1965	57.82
Balance January 1, 1966	$1,445.74
Andover Savings Bank, Book 75659:	
On Deposit January 1, 1965	$10,647.41
Interest for year 1965	430.15
Balance January 1, 1966	$11,077.56
Salem Savings Bank, Book 110123:	
On Deposit January 1, 1965	$7,263.28
Interest for year 1965	316.59
Balance January 1, 1966	$7,579.87
Warren Five Cents Savings Bank, Book 98035:	
On deposit January 1, 1965	$36,251.63
Interest for year 1965	1,575.57
Balance January 1, 1966	$37,827.20
Haverhill Savings Bank, Book T3786:	
Topsfield Branch	
On deposit January 1, 1965	$26,626.44
Interest for year 1965	1,081.12
Balance January 1, 1966	$27,707.56
Georgetown Savings Bank, Acct. 15901:	
On deposit January 1, 1965	$30,000.00
Interest for year 1965	1,289.05
Balance January 1, 1966	$31,289.05

Salem Five Cents Savings Bank, Book 84296:	
On deposit January 1, 1965	$25,000.00
Interest for year 1965	989.14
Balance January 1, 1966	$25,989.14
Ipswich Savings Bank, Book 35188:	
On deposit January 1, 1965	$25,000.00
Interest for year 1965	983.41
Balance January 1, 1966	$25,983.41
Pentucket Five Cents Savings Bank, Acct. 200320	
Deposit November 24, 1965	$10,000.00
Danvers Savings Bank, Account 537	
Deposit November 22, 1965	$15,000.00
Arlington Trust Company, Certificate 5208	
Deposit November 23, 1965	$25,000.00

CONSERVATION FUND

Lawrence Savings Bank, Book 295:	
On deposit January 1, 1965	$3,067.50
Interest for year 1965	139.96
Balance January 1, 1966	$3,207.46

TOWN FARM FUND

There are deposited in the safe deposit vault of the Danvers Savings Bank, United States Treasury Bonds, Par Value $6,500.00

$6,500.00 U.S. Treasury Bonds, 2½'s, 70/65	$6,500.00

Interest from above bonds is deposited in the following banks:

Danvers Savings Bank, Book 14805:	
On deposit January 1, 1965	$9,146.14
Interest for year 1965	392.83
Balance January 1, 1966	$9,583.97
Lawrence Savings Bank, Book 83858:	
On deposit January 1, 1965	$169.02
Interest for year 1965	7.27
Balance January 1, 1966	$176.29
Salem Five Cents Savings Bank, Book 28764:	
On deposit January 1, 1965	$19,897.83
Interest on U. S. Treasury Bonds	162.50
Savings Bank Interest for 1965	642.15
Balance January 1, 1966	$20,702.48
Salem Savings Bank, Book 99618:	
On deposit January 1, 1965	$9,930.59
Interest for year 1965	432.84
Balance January 1, 1966	$10,363.43

SARAH P. PERLEY FUND

Andover Savings Bank, Book 38221:	
On deposit January 1, 1965	$2,170.86
Interest for the year 1965	87.69
Balance January 1, 1966	$2,258.55

CURTIS AND KILLAM BURIAL LOT FUND

Danvers Savings Bank, Book 8600:	
On deposit January 1, 1965	$377.39
Interest for the year 1965	16.02
	$393.41
Withdrawn	7.50
Balance January 1, 1966	$385.91

EAST PARISH LIBRARY FUND

Lawrence Savings Bank, Book 107894:	
On deposit January 1, 1965	$2,000.00
Interest for the year 1965	86.13
	$2,086.13
Withdrawn	86.13
Balance January 1, 1966	$2,000.00
Salem Five Cents Savings Bank, Book 30898:	
On deposit January 1, 1965	$1,500.00
Interest for the year 1965	64.76
	$1,564.76
Withdrawn	64.76
Balance January 1, 1966	$1,500.00

WEST PARISH LIBRARY FUND

Lawrence Savings Bank, Book 107895:	
On deposit January 1, 1965	$1,500.00
Interest for the year 1965	64.59
	$1,564.59
Withdrawn	64.59
Balance January 1, 1966	$1,500.00
Salem Five Cents Savings Bank, Book 30896:	
On deposit January 1, 1965	$1,500.00
Interest for the year 1965	64.76
	$1,564.76
Withdrawn	64.76
Balance January 1, 1966	$1,500.00

EAST PARISH LIBRARY COTE FUND

Danvers Savings Bank, Book 10319:	
On deposit January 1, 1965	$1,346.80
Interest for the year 1965	57.82
Balance January 1, 1966	$1,404.62

BOXFORD VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION

Danvers Savings Bank, Book 9224:	
On deposit January 1, 1965	$1,293.78
Interest for the year 1965	55.55
Balance January 1, 1966	$1,349.33

POST WAR REHABILITATION FUND

Interest from U. S. bonds were deposited in the Danvers Savings Bank, Book 15573:	
On deposit Janury 1, 1965	$2,346.71
Interest for the year 1965	100.77
Balance January 1, 1966	$2,447.48
Georgetown Savings Bank, Book 11752: Rehabilitation	
On deposit January 1, 1965	$2,849.33
Interest for the year 1965	118.75
Balance January 1, 1966	$2,968.08

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL FUNDS

For the year ending December 31, 1965

The funds are invested in the following Savings Banks:

Salem Five Cents Savings Bank Book No. 11474	$1,000.00
Danvers Savings Bank Book No. 5501	2,000.00
Salem Savings Bank Book No. 83786	1,000.00
Haverhill Savings Bank Book No. T2437	500.00
Total amount of fund	$4,500.00

The interest on the above funds has been sent to the Town Treasurer by check as follows:

Salem Five Cents Savings Bank	$42.52
Danvers Savings Bank	85.00
Salem Savings Bank	43.13
Haverhill Savings Bank	20.16
Total	$190.81

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY E. TRASK
RICHARD P. CHADWICK
AMY G. PARKHURST
Committee on School Funds

All of the Bonds and bank books for the preceding Trust Funds are in the custody of the Town Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

LUCY K. PARKHURST,
Treasurer

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE

The School Building Committee, formed in 1960, operated on a "building project" basis until the annual Town Meeting in March, 1965. In the 1965 Town Meeting, it was voted, at the recommendation of the Committee, that there should be a permanent committee of seven members; three chosen from the School Committee, and four to be appointed by the Selectmen. The committee was charged with the responsibilities of investigating and planning for elementary school needs, submitting recommendations at annual Town Meetings, and to the Board of Selectmen at other times as may be appropriate.

The School Committee chose Messrs. Dana Bill, Robert Crandall, and Gordon Price as its representatives for 1965. The Board of Selectmen appointed Messrs, Frederick Monell, LeRoy Curtis, Dudley Watkins, and John Benson. At an organizational meeting in the month of May, the Committee elected Mr. Monell as Chairman, Mr. Watkins as Vice-Chairman, and Mr. Curtis, as Secretary.

The Committee has met monthly, (with two exceptions) in 1965. Most of its business has been approval of final bills and study of minor problems in the operation and maintenance of the Spofford Pond Building, which has been in use since September, 1964. Chief among these was the soot and smoke from the incinerator, which occasionally settled around the school. It was caused by certain atmospheric conditions and the land contour. The General Contractor extended the height of the incinerator flue by seven feet, which seems to have solved the problem.

The annual pre-school census was conducted in October through the efforts of the Boxford Parent-Teacher Association, working in cooperation with the school administration.

Using both the pre-school census figures and the elementary school enrollment figures of the past five years, the school superintendent prepared a school enrollment projection for the next five years. The method of projection was a determination of the five-year average annual numerical growth for

both the pre-school and in-school children and the application of these average growth figures to the current pre-school and in-school enrollments. School enrollment as of October 1, 1965, was 525 pupils. The projected enrollments and necessary classrooms are as follows:

Year	Enrollment	Number of Classrooms Needed*
1966	553	22
1967	596	24
1968	610	24
1969	619	25
1970	630	25

*Based on a class size of 25.

Twenty-seven (27) classrooms are presently available at the Cole School, Spofford Pond School, Aaron Wood School, and the Gardner Morse School.

A comparison of this new projection with that of earlier years shows that a more moderate growth has replaced the earlier rapid increases in pre-school and school enrollments. Previous projections had indicated a possible need for an addition to the Spofford Pond School in 1967. However, at this time, it is agreed that additional facilities will not be required until sometime after that date.

The above projections and conclusions are based on a continuation of the present economy and local conditions as they affect school population. A new projection will be prepared in the fall of 1966 and the entire matter reviewed again at that time.

In November, Dudley Watkins resigned from the committee. The Committee appreciates the valuable services Mr. Watkins has rendered as a member.

Miss Perley has been preparing the final accounting report of our 1960 addition to the Harry Lee Cole School. This report

will be submitted to the Massachusetts School Building Assistance Commission for final approval.

Respectfully submitted,
Boxford School Building Committee

FREDERICK B. MONELL, JR., Chairman
LEROY E. CURTIS, JR., Secretary
G. DANA BILL
JOHN R. BENSON
ROBERT R. CRANDALL
A. GORDON PRICE

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE ESSEX COUNTY GREEN BELT ASSOCIATION*

The importance of the preservation of our out-door environment has been strongly stressed by the present administration. Conservationists have realized the necessity of keeping open spaces for the use of ourselves, our children and posterity. With the present-day urban sprawl, particularly on our eastern coast, the existence of green areas close to large urban centers are tremendously important.

This Association was organized on January 29, 1961 and its first objective was the preservation of Bald Hill, Boxford, a superb drumlin which had been purchased by an investment syndicate. In January, 1961, the Essex County Green Belt Association successfully sponsored legislation empowering the Department of Natural Resources to purchase this tract and also land in the surrounding area. In April, 1962, gifts and pledges of land in the Bald Hill area to the Essex County Green Belt Association totalled over 120 acres. The Department of Natural Resources initiated action leading to the purchase of Bald Hill and on December 20, 1964, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts acquired 181 acres in Boxford and Middleton, including Bald Hill. This holding will be integrated with the Phillips Wildlife Sanctuary and the Boxford State Forest. The Essex County Green Belt Association now proposes to deed to the state its holdings within and adjoining state property. However, the deeds will contain a reversion clause to ensure that no future state administration will use this land for other than conservation purposes.

At the urging of the Association, Representative Francis W. Hatch, Jr., of Beverly filed in the 1965 legislature a bill patterned after the coastal wetlands act to forbid the dredging or filling of marsh adjoining any inland waters unless the mayor or selectmen have been notified and permission obtained from the Department of Natural Resources. This bill, H. 3388 passed both the House and the Senate was signed into

*Cost of printing defrayed by the Association.

law by Governor Volpe on March 29, 1965 and is known as Chapter 220, General Laws, 1965. The year 1965 also saw the passage of the Coastal Wetlands Bill which our organization strongly supported at the hearings.

Acquisitions during the year 1965 consisted of 96 acres of land in Middleton, the gift of Louis A. Barett, 22 acres along the banks of the Parker River in Newbury given by Miss Isabel Hoopes. Our total holdings are now 260 acres and there have been many promises of more land by various owners.

Our Association has been working in close coordination with other conservation organizations. We have affiliated with the Massachusetts Conservation Council, Massachusetts Forest and Park Association, Nature Conservancy, Massachusetts Roadside Council, the Mt. Greylock Protective Association and the Massachusetts Association of Conservation Commissions.

One of us is a member of the Board of Directors of the Trustees of the Reservations. Another of us is a member of the executive committee of the Massachusetts Conservation Council and also a member of the Board of Directors of the Massachusetts Roadside Council. We are making every attempt to increase our affiliation with other groups interested in the problem of the preservation of the out-of-doors so that overlapping activities can be brought closer together. We are working closely with the Massachusetts Audubon Society as well as the Department of Natural Resources of the Commonwealth.

The Ipswich River Council of this organization has encouraged the filing by Representative Francis Hatch, Jr. of a bill (H 1115) to establish an Ipswich River Commission which would form an unpaid organization with legal status.

Our group has become associated with the Parker River Council which will attempt to salvage land along that river. This council is made up of two voting members of the Conservation Commission of each of the towns through which the Parker River flows and also two voting members from the E.C.G.B.A.

The Bay State circuit proposing a green belt extending from Newbury through Essex County running west of Boston, extending southward and eastward terminating in Marshfield and Duxbury was a dream of certain people for many years. The idea behind it was that it was a natural area relatively close to the large urban areas. By the act of the General Court of 1956, Chapter 631* such a plan was enabled. The lands held by the Essex County Green Belt Association would form an integral part of this project and it is to be hoped that various other private and public holdings in Essex County can be joined in accordance with this act. It is not widely known that this act exists but our association is interested in furthering its development.

All gifts to the Association, including dues, have been designated tax deductible by the Internal Revenue Service.

*The enactment of this bill was in large part the result of the efforts of Dr. Charles W. Eliot II.

STEPHEN MADDOCK, M.D., President
JOHN W. PEIRCE, Vice-President
HENRY N. SAWYER, Vice-President
Trustees of the Essex County
Green Belt Association

REPORT OF THE BOXFORD WATER STUDY COMMITTEE

Having been appointed to study the water resources of the town, we have found there is a widespread interest on the part of the residents of Boxford with regard to the water supply problem. This interest is along the lines of how long our system of individual water wells will be adequate.

We have also concluded that there is no immediate desire or need to set up a municipal system; that is, to the extent of reservoirs and an actual distribution system. We have not made any study of a distribution system — costs or problems in laying pipes.

We feel that it is desirable and necessary to plan and to protect the town's water rights, water shed areas or sources

of water supply, so that if and when it becomes necessary to set up a municipal distribution system, the town will have available a source or sources of water.

Basically there are two systems available to the town; surface water or well water. Both of these systems have certain advantages.

A **surface system** involves the taking of a large area for storage of water and adjacent water shed area. This has a very definite appeal from an aesthetic point of view as well as in consideration of the needs of conservation and recreation.

Ground water or a **well field system** involves a smaller land taking and fewer land damage costs. It is generally agreed that this method is the less expensive for a town of our type. Our neighbors of Topsfield and Georgetown have developed such systems.

In any event, there is an immediate need to determine where we would turn for a source of water supply should we need it.

Because of the growth of our town, together with general economic appreciation, land and/or water storage facilities are becoming more expensive and less easy to obtain. We have experienced the loss of some ponds in Boxford to other communities. Of course any areas that become developed are lost as potential sources of water.

It is our opinion that we must ascertain which area or areas are best suited for a water supply source. We have maps and other general information on potential or likely areas. We feel that in order to best protect our town, a professional survey should be made to accurately determine the best sources of either ground water or water shed areas.

Based upon a professional survey, we could reserve the land now owned by the town for water, or by purchase or land taking proceedings acquire the most suitable land for the purpose of a town water supply at a reasonable cost.

Land which is taken by the town for the purpose of water supply will be protected from the development for other uses.

We feel that such land would be an asset a town would be justified in acquiring to hold for future use.

PATRICIA BAILLY
BUELL BASSETTE
WILLIAM CHENEY
DONALD SCUTIERE

REPORT OF THE TOWN HALL COMMITTEE

February 8, 1966

The Committee appointed by the Selectmen pursuant to Article 22 of the warrant for the March 1, 1965, annual Town meeting has completed its study of the space requirements of the various Town Officers, Departments, and Boards. During its work the Committee reviewed the buildings currently owned by the Town and identified the existing spaces available to meet the Town's requirements. Based on its study, the Committee concludes that the existing facilities within the Town, if appropriately modified and properly utilized, are adequate to meet the current and foreseeable future requirements for offices and meeting places.

The Committee recommends that the Town appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of obtaining engineering and architectural assistance regarding proposed modifications to the East Boxford Town Hall so as to provide needed filing space and work areas for the Planning and Appeals Boards, the Finance Committee, the Gas, Building, Plumbing, and Wire Inspectors, and the Board of Assessors.

The Committee offers the following specific suggestions:

1. Construct a central hallway from the front lobby to the rear kitchen at such location as is found to be feasible.
2. Close in the existing rear stairs, or provide other enclosed rear stairway access to the second floor.
3. Partition the south meeting room, first floor, to form two offices with access to lavatories, the central hallway, and the main lobby, and with appropriate furnishings and files.

4. Complete appropriate interior painting concurrently with the construction work proposed for the first floor.
5. Assign a secured space on the second floor, the balcony area to receive first consideration, for use as a storage area for records which must be retained but to which reference is seldom required.
6. Engage a qualified individual to review and confirm the structural safety and security of the building when the partitioning and other modifications recommended above are completed.

The Committee reviewed the current status and utilization of Lincoln Hall and determined that no renovations would be needed to that structure in the near future to meet Town requirements for office or meeting spaces.

During the course of its work, the Committee determined that better utilization of space and record facilities could be achieved if the Town adopted the following recommendations:

1. Institute a record retention and disposal program to remove material from current files which is of little or no future use to the Town from a legal or historical standpoint.
2. The individual Departments, Committees, and Boards should accept responsibility for scheduling and reserving meeting spaces in advance with the Town Hall so that they can be assured of having available facilities when required.

The Committee also recommends that the office space located in the building adjacent to the East Boxford Town Hall and formerly occupied by the Police Department be assigned to the Highway Department.

For the foreseeable future, the Aaron Wood School appears to the Commitee to be an adequate location for the Police Department. It is recognized, however, that the needs of that Department could probably not be fulfilled within any other facility currently owned by the Town. If and when the Aaron

Wood School is again to be used for school purposes, the Town should evaluate the then existing needs for Police Department facilities and take appropriate action to meet those requirements.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES H. HEEREMANS
MISS BARBARA C. PERLEY
CHESTER K. TWISS

REPORT OF AUDITS

of

THE ACCOUNTS

of

THE TOWN CLERK

and

THE SEVERAL DEPARTMENTS

(For the Period from May 22, 1963 to August 16, 1965)

of the

TOWN OF BOXFORD

Made in Accordance with the Provisions of
Chapter 44, General Laws

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Department of Corporations and Taxation
Bureau of Accounts
80 Mason Street, Boston

January 19, 1966

To the Board of Selectmen
Mr. Harry L. Cole, Chaiman
Boxford, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my report of an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Boxford for the period from May 22, 1963 to August 16, 1965, made in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44, General Laws. This is in the form of a report made to me by Mr. William Schwartz, Assistant Chief of Bureau.

Very truly yours,
ARTHUR H. MacKINNON,
Director of Accounts

Mr. Arthur H. MacKinnon
Director of Accounts
Department of Corporations and Taxation
Boston, Massachusetts

Sir:

As directed by you, I have made an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Boxford for the period from May 22, 1963, the date of the previous audit, to August 16, 1965, and submit the following report thereon:

An examination and verification was made of the recorded transactions of the town as shown on the books of the departments receiving or disbursing money or committing bills for collection.

The books and accounts of the town accountant were examined and checked with the treasurer's books and with the

records of the several departments collecting money for the town.

The appropriations and transfers as entered in the ledger were checked with the town clerk's record of appropriations and transfers voted by the town. The necessary adjusting entries resulting from the audit were made, and a balance sheet, which is appended to this report, was prepared showing the financial condition of the town on August 16, 1965.

The books and accounts of the town treasurer were examined and checked. The recorded receipts were analyzed and compared with the records in the departments collecting money for the town and with other sources from which money was paid into the town treasury. The payments were checked with the selectmen's warrants authorizing the disbursement of town funds, and the cash balance on August 16, 1965 was verified by reconciliation of the bank balances with the statements furnished by the banks of deposit and by actual count of the cash on hand.

Considerable time was spent in affecting a reconciliation of the treasurer's cash and the treasurer's bank accounts which had not been reconciled since the previous audit. In this connection it is urged that the treasurer prove the cash book balance with the cash on hand and the bank balances at least weekly, and that the bank balances be reconciled promptly with the bank statements when received.

The debt and interest payments made during the period covered by the audit were compared with the amounts falling due and checked with the cancelled securities on file.

The savings bank books and securities representing the investment of the several trust funds in custody of the town treasurer, as well as those in custody of the trustees of the Jonathan Tyler Barker Free School Fund, were examined and listed. The income was proved, and all transactions were verified and checked with the books of the town accountant.

The tax title records in custody of the treasurer were examined and checked with the accounts of the collector and with the records at the Registry of Deeds.

The records of payroll deductions for Federal and State taxes, the county retirement system, and hospital and group life insurance premiums were reconciled with the accountant's records, and the payments to the proper agencies were verified.

An examination was made of the books and accounts of the tax collector. The taxes and excise outstanding at the time of the last audit, as well as all subsequent commitments, were audited and compared with the assessors' warrants. The commitment book postings were checked with the cash book record of collections, the abatements were checked with the assessors' records of abatements granted, and the payments to the treasurer were compared with the treasurer's cash book.

The outstanding accounts were listed and proved with the town accountant's ledger, and were further verified by mailing notices to a number of persons whose names appeared on the books as owing money to the town, the replies received thereto indicating that the accounts, as listed, are correct.

It is recommended that a prompt settlement be obtained of the delinquent tax accounts.

The records of receipts of the town clerk on account of dog and sporting licenses were examined and checked, the payments to the town treasurer and to the Division of Fisheries and Game being verified.

The surety bonds furnished by the several town officials for the faithful performance of their duties were examined and found to be in proper form.

The accounts of the building inspector, plumbing inspector, and wire inspector, and of all other departments collecting money for the town, were examined, checked, and reconciled with the treasurer's and the accountant's books.

Appended to this report, in addition to the balance sheet, are tables showing a reconciliation of the treasurer's cash, summaries of the tax, excise, and departmental accounts, together with schedules showing the condition and transactions of the trust and investment funds.

For the cooperation extended by the town officials during the progress of the audit, I wish, on behalf of my assistants and for myself, to express appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM SCHWARTZ,
Assistant Chief of Bureau

TOWN OF BOXFORD

Balance Sheet — August 16, 1965

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

Assets

Cash:		
General		$34,789.23
Accounts Receivable:		
Taxes:		
Levy of 1959:		
Real Estate	$4.38	
Levy of 1960:		
Real Estate	10.34	
Levy of 1961:		
Real Estate	22.09	
Levy of 1962:		
Personal Property	303.00	
Real Estate	74.24	
Levy of 1963:		
Poll	10.00	
Personal Property	196.95	
Real Estate	867.58	
Levy of 1964:		
Personal Property	382.50	
Real Estate	8,871.85	

Liabilities and Reserves

State and County Assessments 1965:		
State Assessments:		
Recreation Areas	$1,484.17	
Audit	64.53	
Motor Excise Billing	327.75	
County Tax	14,180.56	
		$16,057.01
Payroll Deductions:		
Federal Taxes	$1,120.60	
State Taxes	126.44	
County Retirement System	62.96	
Blue Cross and Blue Shield	33.44	
Group Life Insurance	6.60	
		1,350.04
Trust Fund Transactions:		
Jonathan Tyler Barker Free School Fund		6,500.00
Federal Grants:		
Disability Assistance	$5,636.95	
Aid to Dependent Children	5,626.67	

BALANCE SHEET (Continued)

Assets (Continued)

Levy of 1965:		
Personal Property	53,780.16	
Real Estate	534,522.05	
		599,045.14
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:		
Levy of 1963	$418.00	
Levy of 1964	1,019.23	
Levy of 1965	11,114.56	
		12,551.79
Classified Forest Land:		
Levy of 1965		$39.36
Tax Titles		54.53
Departmental:		
Highway Snow Removal	$434.25	
General Relief	117.90	
Aid to Dependent Children	198.51	
Veterans' Services	1,066.98	
		1,817.64
Aid to Highways:		
State	$26,115.41	
County	3,982.71	
		30,098.12

Liabilities (Continued)

Old Age Assistance	6,523.54	
Medical Assistance for the Aged	8,454.48	
School Aid, Public Law #874	11,596.80	
National Defense Education	2,188.34	
		$40,026.78
Revolving Fund:		
School Lunch		6,750.76
Appropriation Balances:		
Revenue:		
General	$440,637.88	
Non-Revenue:		
New Elementary School	668.15	
		441,306.03
Receipts Reserved for Appropriation:		
Road Machinery		3,909.04
Reserve Fund — Overlay Surplus		39,735.24
Overlay Reserved for Abatements:		
Levy of 1959	$4.38	
Levy of 1960	10.34	
Levy of 1961	22.09	
Levy of 1962	1,124.64	
Levy of 1963	5,570.86	

BALANCE SHEET (Continued)

Assets (Continued)		Liabilities (Continued)		
Estimated Receipts — To be Collected	51,054.75	Levy of 1964	3,191.18	
		Levy of 1965	33,719.94	
				43,643.43
		Revenue Reserved Until Collected:		
		Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	$12,551.79	
		Special Tax	39.36	
		Tax Title	54.53	
		Departmental	1,817.64	
		Aid to Highway	30,098.12	
				44,561.44
		Surplus Revenue		85,610.79
	$729,450.56			$729,450.56

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Net Funded or Fixed Debt:		Serial Loans:	
Outside Debt Limit:		Outside Debt Limit:	
General	$138,000.00	School Construction	$138,000.00

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Trust and Investment Funds:		In Custody of Treasurer:	
Cash and Securities:		Welfare Funds:	
In Custody of Treasurer	$232,570.19	Town Farm	$45,936.24

BALANCE SHEET (Continued)

Assets (Continued)		Liabilities (Continued)		
In Custody of Trustees	28,239.73	Sarah P. Perley	2,170.86	
		Boxford Visiting Nurse Association	1,293.78	
				$49,400.88
		School Fund		4,504.39
		Library Funds:		
		East Parish	$3,500.00	
		East Parish — Cote	1,346.80	
		West Parish	3,000.00	
				7,846.80
		Cemetery Fund:		
		Curtis and Killam		377.90
		Investment Funds:		
		Post-War Rehabilitation	$5,196.04	
		Stabilization	162,176.68	
				167,372.72
		Conservation Fund		3,067.50
		In Custody of Trustees:		
		Jonathan Tyler Barker Free School Fund		28,239.73
	$260,809.92			$260,809.92

ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF BOXFORD

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1965

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS REPORT

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Peter K. Race, Chairman	Term expires 1968
G. Dana Bill, Vice-Chairman	Term expires 1966
J. Stuart Haywood, Secretary	Term expires 1967
Robert R. Crandall	Term expires 1967
A. Gordon Price	Term expires 1966

SUPERINTENDENT

Herbert A. Rouisse

School Committee Operation

The Committee held a total of twenty-two regular meetings and one special meeting during 1965. All meetings were held in the library of the Spofford Pond School. Regular meetings are scheduled for the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at 7:45 P.M. Meetings are open and the public is invited to attend. There has generally been press coverage and full accounts of committee activities have been reported in the local newspapers. Executive sessions have seldom been held and then only in matters requiring privacy and consistent with the open meeting statute.

John S. Haywood has served as the representative of the local school committee to the Masconomet Regional School Committee; G. Dana Bill, Robert R. Crandall, and A. Gordon Price have served as members of the Boxford School Building Committee.

Action taken by the three regional district towns in 1965 has changed the original Masconomet Regional District Agreement so that all three members of the regional committee will be elected at large, rather than one member from each town being elected from the membership of the local school committee. This change will become effective with the 1966 Town Election.

Financial

The October 1, 1965, pupil enrollment in the elementary schools stood at 525. This total, when compared with the 523

enrolled at the comparable date in 1964, marks the first time in several years in which there was not a significant increase in pupil enrollment. Enrollment projections, based on the recently completed pre-school census and school enrollment, predict a moderate increase to a total of 553 by October 1, 1966. Consequently, provision has been made in the budget for one additional teacher to be added for the 1966-1967 school year, if found necessary.

The change in each major account is noted below:

Account	Appropriation 1965	Budget 1966	Increase Decrease	Per Cent of Change
Administration	$ 8,820.	$ 9,448.	$ 628.	7.12%
Instruction	167,871.	179,258.	11,387.	6.78%
Other School Serv.	35,108.	35,018.	90.	0.26%
Operating & Maintenance of Plant	25,258.	27,805.	2,547.	10.08%
Fixed Charges	3,750.	4,100.	350.	9.33%
Community Services	890.	660.	230.	25.84%
Acquisition of Fixed Assets	400.	1,620.	1,220.	305.00%
Programs With Other Communities	1,250.	1,150.	100.	8.00%
Total	$243,347.	$259,059.	$15,712.	6.46%

The major increase is found in the *Instruction Account,* totalling $11,387. Virtually all of this increase is occasioned by teachers' Salaries and results from the following factors:

1. The impact for a full year of normal salary increments effective in September, 1965.
2. The impact for the period of September-December, 1966 of normal salary increments effective in September, 1966.
3. The impact for a full year of salary increases granted to be effective in September, 1965.
4. The impact for the period of September-December, 1966 of salary increases granted to be effective in September, 1966.
5. Th impact of salary for one additional teacher from September-December, 1966.

6. The provision for the first time of funds for a part time physical education instructor, which position was established in September, 1965.

Comments on other significant changes which may require explanation follow:

1. The increase of $745. in the *School Adjustment Counsellor Account* reflects primarily that this program is now shared only by Topsfield and Boxford, whereas in previous years Middleton also shared in this program. There will also be an increase of $450 in state reimbursement resulting from this change.
2. The decrease of $717. in the *Regular Transportation Account* reflect the favorable bids received. The present three-year contract became effective in September, 1965.
3. The increase of $847. in the *Custodial Services Account* results from normal salary increments and the establishment of three full time custodial positions, effective September, 1965, to replace two full time and two part time custodial positions. However this increase is partially affected by a decrease of $230. in the *Reimbursable Janitors' Salaries Account* made possible by the new arrangement.
4. The increases of $1,060. in the *Light and Power Account* and of $625. in the *Fuel Account* reflect primarily insufficient budgeting in these accounts for 1965 in connection with the full operation of the Spofford Pond School.
5. The increase of $1,220. in the *Acquisition of Equipment Account* is detailed in the following pages. The major expenditure is for a water filter for the Spofford Pond School to minimize an excessive amount of iron in that water supply.

The average pupil enrollment is 524 for 1965. Therefore the gross per pupil cost, based on the appropriation of $243,347. is $464.40. Anticipated receipts in 1965, after an apportionment of Chapter 70 funds for secondary purposes, will total $71,398, giving a net per pupil cost of $328.14.

The projected average enrollment for 1966 is 536 pupils. Dividing the 1966 appropriation of $259,059. by the projected average enrollment produces a gross per pupil cost of $483.32.

The estimated net per pupil cost after deducting estimated receipts in 1966 of $70,964. is $350.92.

PER PUPIL COST

	Gross	Net
1965	$464.40	$328.14
1966	483.32	350.92
	$15.92	$22.78

Shown below is the salary schedule adopted to become effective September 1, 1966.

Step	B	B + 12	B + 24	M	M + 12	M + 24	Prof. Cert.
1.	$5200	$5300	$5400	$5500	$5600	$5700	$5800
2.	5500	5600	5700	5800	5900	6000	6100
3.	5700	5800	5900	6000	6100	6200	6300
4.	5900	6000	6100	6200	6300	6400	6500
5.	6100	6200	6300	6400	6500	6600	6700
6.	6300	6400	6500	6600	6700	6800	6900
7.	6500	6600	6700	6800	6900	7000	7100
8.	6700	6800	6900	7000	7100	7200	7300
9.	6900	7000	7100	7200	7300	7400	7500
10.	7100	7200	7300	7400	7500	7600	7700
11.	7300	7400	7500	7600	7700	7800	7900
12.	7500	7600	7700	7800	7900	8000	8100
13.	7700	7800	7900	8000	8100	8200	8300
14.				8200	8300	8400	8500
15.							8700

Plus $100 for tenure teachers.

School Facilities

Boxford enjoyed the happy circumstances during 1965 of having all its pupils housed in two very adequate structures. Eleven primary grade classes are held in the Cole School and ten upper grade classrooms are housed at the Spofford Pond School. All Spofford Pond School classrooms are in full use. There are two regular classrooms at the Cole School used on

a part time basis for remedial reading, art, and speech instruction. The Morse School, which contains two standard classrooms is not now in use. The Wood School, which also has two classrooms, was not scheduled for school use this year. Consequently at the request of the Boxford Police Department, permission was granted to that agency to use the Wood School as a police station on a temporary basis until the building is required again for school use. This arrangement became effective in October and has worked very well for both groups.

The matter of future school needs is under consideration by both the Boxford School Committee and the Boxford School Building Committee. The annual pre-school census was carried on by members of the Parent Teachers Association and projections of pupil enrollment and school needs were developed by the school administration. These are detailed in the report of the Boxford School Building Committee. It appears that the growth rate has slowed radically from that of the early 1960's. The needs for new facilities may hopefully be postponed for a year or two beyond original plans.

A continuing program has been carried on to maintain all structures in good operating and instructional condition. A major item was the reshingling of the roof of the Gardner Morse School. This roof had not been repaired since its original installation approximately twenty-five years ago.

The Curriculum

The school curriculum is a dynamic thing. During any given year certain aspects of the curriculum will be in the process of being reviewed or developed anew. Curriculum guides were developed in all major academic areas during the period from 1960 to 1962. During the 1964-5 school year curriculum committees were active in the fields of English, mathematics, science, and programmed learning. These committees consisted of teachers from both the Boxford and Topsfield staffs and represented various grade levels. A principal served as chairman in each case. As an outgrowth of the work of these committees, revised guides in the areas of English,

mathematics and science were presented to the individual school committees for their approval during the summer of 1965. The revised guides were placed in the hands of the teachers for the opening of school in September.

The new English guide was developed in coordination with staff members from the Middleton Elementary Schools and Masconomet Regional High School. The guide, therefore, is a unified guide for Grades 1-12 in the regional district. The major areas included within this guide are written communication, oral communcation, capitalization and punctuation, and grammar. In addition there is a special supplement on creative writing. A special feature was the inclusion of much of the above material in the form of a sequential analysis chart, which presented an extremely detailed listing of the English skills and the grade levels at which these skills are introduced, emphasized, and reviewed.

It is felt that the new mathematics guide will help in introducing pupils to the discovery of the logic and systematic progression of the number system. The stress will be more on reasoning and less on rote memory. Certain concepts will be introduced at earlier grade levels and greater emphasis will be placed on the precision of meaning in the language of mathematics. Experimentation and discovery will be encouraged, and the attitude that learning mathematics can be a creative adventure will be fostered. More effective articulation from one grade to the next will be made possible by the inclusion in the new guide of a sequential analysis chart. With this chart, a teacher can see immediately what areas of mathematics are stressed at certain grade levels and which ones are stressed at other grade levels. This guide is a transition between the traditional and the modern in mathematics. It is expected that the guide will be revised frequently as the mathematics program moves continually toward a more modern approach.

The previous science curriculum had been based upon a spiral plan. That is, each of several topics was repeated at each succeeding grade level, incorporating increasingly complex

concept development. A survey and evaluation of that program indicated a need for not only a new curriculum but also for a new approach locally to the teaching of science. The new curriculum is a "block-style program" beginning at the third grade level. In the grades an exploratory, less structured type of approach is used. This new approach is designed to afford appropriate experiences in the biological, earth, and physical sciences at a level of concept difficulty applicable to the grade levels involved, and which can be explored in some depth. New materials which fit the specific local program have been purchased and put into use. In keeping with the objectives of the program, a "discovery" approach is used in instruction, emphasizing more pupil experimentation and less teacher demonstration.

During the current school year there are again four curriculum committes working. One of these committees is continuing the study of programmed learning. A second committee is reviewing the social studies curriculum; a third committee is reviewing the procedure for reporting to parents on the progress of pupils; and the fourth committee is studying the so-called non-graded approach in schools. This term "the non-graded" is perhaps a misnomer. The primary concern here is to review the entire organizational structure to determine if there are better ways to bring about more continual pupil progress with the focus of the program on the child's individual progress rather than on the graded organization. There are throughout the country many non-graded schools, although these vary widely in the program they present. It is hoped that through this study it may be determined whether certain programs have implication for the local system. If so, either minor adjustments to the present graded system might be made or there might be a move toward an organization in which there were no grades as known today.

School Lunch Program

The two elementary schools continue to provide a Class A School lunch to the pupils. The average percentage of participation is about 75%. The cost of the meals to pupils remains

at 25c, the same price as has been charged since the inception of the program in 1955. The National School Lunch Act provides a subsidy payment of 9c per meal and certain commodities for a small service charge. The program continued to be self-supporting in 1964-1965 as detailed below:

1964 - 1965 School Year

Total Income Based on Sales		$24,556.60
Expenditures		
Food	$13,857.74	
Wages	9,083.66	
Equipment	99.53	
Other	1,233.79	24,274.72
Profit		$ 281.88

Health Service

Under the direction of Mrs. Mary Hunter, School Nurse, and Doctors James and David Brackbill, School Physicians, a comprehensive health program is carried on, especially in those areas relating to school progress. The height and weight of each child is recorded annually. Ill and injured children are provided for until their parents can assume the responsibility.

Other service includes:

Physical Examinations — 85 pupils — 2 referrals
Vision Tests — 532 pupils — 21 referrals
Hearing Tests — 531 pupils — 10 referrals
Tuberculosis Tine Test — 68 pupils — 0 referrals
Diphtheria Tetanus Inoculation — 84 pupils
Flu Vaccine — School Staff — To reduce staff absenteeism

Legislative Milestones

During the past two years major legislation has been passed by the legislative bodies at both the state level and the federal level. These have real significanc for public education generally and locally.

Federal Legislation

National Defense Education Act. This act was passed originally in 1958 as a direct reaction to the launching of the first Sputnik. Title III of this act, which had the greatest impact for the local systems, was designed to improve instruction in the critical subject areas of mathematics, science, and foreign language by offering fifty percent reimbursement for expenditures incurred in local projects aimed at that purpose. The program was administered through the State Department of Education. Under this act, the local schools have prepared projects, totaling over $6,800, for which the 50% reimbursement has been received. The major project dealt with the procuring of many items of original equipment for the Spofford Pond School. This act was revised in 1964 to include English, history, geography, and reading on the critical list. The revision also brought about the development of more detailed federal guide lines and consequently more detailed state guidelines. Added were requirements that long range plans for improvment of instruction in each critical area must be developed and that the individual projects meet more stringent qualifications. New forms for these projects became available in September, 1965 and the local system has submitted three small projects recently.

Economic Opportunity Act of 1964. This Anti-Poverty Bill was aimed primarily at economic targets but has two significant points for public education. First, many of the programs established under the act are educational in nature. In this category would come various programs to reduce the incidence of drop-outs, to return drop-outs to school, to retrain certain unemployed persons, and, at the other end of the scale, compensatory education programs for pre-school children and young pupils from culturally deprived backgrounds. Second, the framework of the act and its methods of operation became to some extent a model for the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, which will be discussed shortly. An official committee has been appointed by the Selectmen to investigate the act and carry on local programs that might fall

within the terms of the act. To date, no programs have been put into operation.

The Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965. This was the first federal legislation designed to give general aid to public education. To avoid the major obstacles which had prevented passage of general federal aid bills many times in recent years, i.e. the church-school issue and federal control over local education, the act was written to provide the aid in five categories or titles. This aid amounts to about one billion dollars in the current fiscal year and is available to systems submitting projects which qualify for the specific purposes of the title. The previous pattern for distribution of aid would have allocated funds for general school aid primarily on the basis of population with some equalization factor based on the relative wealth of the states. The five titles are designed to: 1) strengthen elementary and secondary school programs for educationally deprived children in low income areas, 2) provide additional school library resources, textbooks, and other instructional materials, 3) finance supplementary educational centers and services, 4) broaden areas of cooperative research, and 5) strengthen State Departments of Education.

It would appear that at the present the local systems would qualify for any funds only under one title of the act.

Title I, for which the bulk of the funds has been allocated is designed to aid pupils from economically deprived backgrounds. It does not appear that such a program here is necessary or feasible. Title II is geared to strengthening school libraries in Massachusetts and it may be possible to secure funds locally under this title to the amount of $1 per pupil for the purchase of school library books. However, state guidelines for the operation of this title have not yet been received. The remaining three titles deal with research programs and the state agencies. They seem somewhat removed from our local situation at this time.

Certain comments should be made about this federal legislation:

1. Official spokesmen for these Acts openly state that the spending will increase dramatically in the next few years.
2. The proliferation of the guidelines and directives from federal and state agencies make it difficult for the small system to become knowledgeable about available aid and the means of procuring it. Large school systems are establishing positions in the administrative offices, the sole function of which will be to keep the system abreast of developments and to prepare projects for federal programs.
3. There will be an accompanying increase in the degree of federal control of local education. The legislation noted above both directly and indirectly affects the curriculum, the instructional procedures, and the administrative procedures in the local system. These coupled with the promotion of the concept of national standards in education and a national educational testing system by many leaders in government and education are strong indicators of the path ahead.

Massachusetts Legislation

In 1962 the Governor appointed twenty-one members to the Massachusetts Education Study Commission. This Commission, popularly known as the Willis Commission, made an exhaustive survey into nearly all facets of Massachusetts public education. The commission's findings and subsequent recommendations were recently presented in a 624 page publication. The commission's report indicates that there is a tremendous range in the quality of public education among the communities. The fact of this discrepancy and its apparent relationship to fiscal ability was instrumental in the major recommendation of vastly increased state financial support for public education on an equalization basis. Other major recommendations call for the complete reorganization of the Board of Eduaction and the State Department of Education to bring about much stronger direction and control at the state level to replace the present system, in which the local school committees have enjoyed a significant degree of autonomy.

The only legislation resulting from the Willis Commission's recommendations to date is an act which has abolished the Board of Education and has substituted three boards, the State Board of Public School Education, the State Board of Higher Education, and the Advisory Council on Education. The State Board of Higher Education will control and coordinate the twenty-two public institutions of higher learning. A major goal in this organization is the elimination of present competition among these institutions for funds provided by legislative action annually. The Advisory Council in Education will have the purpose of carrying on a continuing program of long range evaluation, planning, and innovation. It will, in a sense, serve as a permanent Willis Commission.

The Board of Public School Education will exert the most influence on the local systems. Its membership will be appointed by the Governor and is expected to be announced in January, 1966. The Board will assume control of all public education with far more responsibility and authority than was enjoyed by the abolished State Board of Education. Furthermore, it will operate through a reorganized Department of Education, which also will have increased authority and responsibility. The Board will have the authority to set standards for the local schools, which were formerly established by the local school committee or by legislative action. Some of these are:

1. The authority to set compulsory school attendance ages. The law presently sets the ages of seven to sixteen. The Commission recommends six to eighteen.
2. The authority to set the length of the school year. The law presently sets the minimum at 180 days. The Commission recommends an immediate increase to 185 days.
3. The authority to set the length of the school days. The school committee presently establishes this. The Department of Education presently recommends a minimum instructional day of five hours for the elementary school.

4. The authority to establish pupil-teacher ratios. This is presently within the discretion of the school committee. The Commission recommends that an elementary school be staffed at the ratio of fifty professional employees per thousand pupils.
5. The authority to require public kindergartens to be available for five year olds. This is presently within the discretion of the local school committee.
6. The authority to establish curriculum standards. At present the Department of Education sets very general prescriptions and the implementation is left to the discretion of the local committee.
7. The authority to withhold state funds to compel compliance with state standards.

The above list is not exhaustive but it does give a clear indication that the role of the state educational agencies and the local educational agencies are in the process of the most drastic change since the establishment of the local school committees in Massachusetts in 1826.

Another change by legislative enactment was the establishment of a new minimum salary for teachers of $5,000. The act was passed in 1964 with an effective date of September, 1965. During the past ten years the minimum salary for teachers has changed as follows:

1956	$3,000	1959	$4,000
1957	$3,300	1962	$4,500
1958	$3,600	1965	$5,000

It should be noted that a bill to raise the minimum salary to $5,500 has been filed with the 1966 Legislation by the Massachusetts Teachers Association. Of more significance is the inclusion in the bill of a minimum of $8,500 for teachers after ten years of experience. The passage of this bill would establish essentially a minimum salary schedule for the entire state.

Another legislative act of long-range significance was brought about with the passabe of H4245, which provides for the election of representative bargaining agents with political

subdivisions of the Commonwealth. This measure, which will become effective in February, 1966 includes all employees of school committees as well as other town employees.

Under the terms of this act, teachers and other school employees shall have the right to form and join employee organizations, to bargain collectively through representatives of their own choosing on questions of wages, hours, and other conditions of employment. The municipal employer or its designated representative shall negotiate in good faith and shall execute a written contract incorporating any agreement reached, but neither party shall be compelled to agree to a proposal or to make a concession. The act further provides that in the case of an impasse either party may petition the state board of conciliation and arbitration to initiate a fact finding procedure. A fact finder will be appointed to investigate the facts, hold hearings, and make written findings and recommendations for resolution of the dispute. Strikes are specifically prohibited.

In summary then, the past two years have seen legislation at both the federal and state level, which is bringing about drastic changes in the organization and operation of public education, changes more dramatic and more significant than any comparable period in our history.

The School Committee of Boxford respectfully presents this information to all its citizens to help develop public understanding of the changing role of the School Committee and school administration.

ENROLLMENT OCTOBER 1, 1965

HARRY LEE COLE

Grade	1	2	3	Totals
Boys	41	41	48	130
Girls	41	48	41	130
	82	89	89	260

SPOFFORD POND

Grade	4	5	6	Totals
Boys	58	41	38	137
Girls	44	44	40	128
	102	85	78	265

SCHOOL CENSUS

Ages	5-7	7-16	16-21	Totals
Boys	46	407	52	505
Girls	50	372	54	476
	96	779	106	981

No-School Signal

No-school announcements will be broadcast over WESX, WHAV, and WNAC between 7:00 and 7:30 a.m., if there is no school for the day. Announcements regarding "No School" are made by the Boxford Superintendent for the Boxford Elementary schools only. Announcements for the Masconomet Regional High School will be made by the Regional Superintendent and will be designated "Masconomet Regional High School."

In addition, three long blasts will be given on the local fire alarm at 7:15 a.m. to designate no school for the elementary classes (grades one through six) for the day.

During stormy or extremely cold weather, parents are urged to exercise their own judgment in sending their children to school.

Vaccination

State law requires vaccination as a condition for admission to a public school. Children who have not been vaccinated will not be admitted to school in September unless they present a certificate from a regular practicing physician stating that they are not fit subjects for vaccination. Parents are requested to attend to this matter prior to the spring registration of Grade 1 if possible.

TEACHERS' DIRECTORY

As of January 1, 1966

Name	Grade or Subject	School	Appointment	Graduate of
Joseph R. Ritchie	Principal	Elementary	1956	Boston College
Daniel T. Murphy	Asst. Prin. and Grade 6	Spofford Pond	1953	Fitchburg State College
Helen E. Chadwick	Grade 6	Spofford Pond	1955	Bridgewater State College
Mary A. Welch	Grade 6	Spofford Pond	1958	Bridgewater State College
Joseph Carnevale	Grade 5	Spofford Pond	1964	Boston University
Ruth E. Morin	Grade 5	Spofford Pond	1950	Hyannis State College
Joseph C. Wentworth	Grade 5	Spofford Pond	1963	Farmington Teachers College
Barbara R. Benson	Grade 4	Spofford Pond	1962	University of Illinois
Isabelle A. Griffin	Grade 4	Spofford Pond	1961	Regis College
Dona R. McDuff	Grade 4	Spofford Pond	1965	Salem State College
Mary T. Taylor	Grade 4	Spofford Pond	1965	Lesley College
Marie A. Audet	Grade 3	Harry L. Cole	1959	Salem State College
Sherry S. Chew	Grade 3	Harry L. Cole	1963	Goucher College
Susan Tyson	Grade 3	Harry L. Cole	1965	Gordon College
Sandra Whitney	Grade 3	Harry L. Cole	1964	Aroostook State College
Dorothy M. Carver	Grade 2	Harry L. Cole	1939	Salem State College
Virginia E. Douglass	Grade 2	Harry L. Cole	1964	Salem State College
Harriet E. Goldthwaite	Grade 2	Harry L. Cole	1962	University of Massachusetts

Winifred Zar	Grade 2	Harry L. Cole	1964	Hunter College
Enid J. Davis	Grade 1	Harry L. Cole	1961	South Connecticut State College
Barbara Horn	Grade 1	Harry L. Cole	1964	Lesley College
Lelia Millay	Grade 1	Harry L. Cole	1944	Farmington State College
George E. Lane	Art		1965	Tufts University
Natalie B. Keohane	French		1963	Swarthmore College
Alice F. Boffetti	Music		1964	N. E. Conservatory of Music
Helen M. Vautin	Physical Ed.		1965	Douglas College
Dorothea D'Agostino	Reading		1960	Farmington State College
Madlyne Pearlman	Speech		1965	American International College
Lois R. Crane	School Adjustment Counsellor		1962	Boston University

SCHOOL CALENDAR

1966

Winter Term

January 3	School Reopens
February 18	Winter Recess — Close Regular Time
February 28	School Reopens
April 8	Good Friday — No School
April 15	Spring Recess — Close Regular Time

Spring Term

April 25	School Reopens
May 30	Memorial Day — No School
June 24	Summer Vacation — Close at 12:00 Noon

Fall Term

September 7, 8, 9	School in Session — Dismissal at Noon
September 12	School Opens Full Time Session
October 12	Columbus Day — No School
October 19	Teachers' Convention — No School
November 11	Veterans' Day — No School
November 23	Thanksgiving Recess — Dismissal at Noon
November 28	School Reopens
December 23	Christmas Recess — Close Regular Time

1967

January 3	School Reopens
February 17	Winter Recess — Close Regular Time
February 27	School Reopens
March 24	Good Friday — No School
April 14	Spring Recess
April 24	School Reopens
May 30	Memorial Day — No School
June 23	Summer Vacation — Close at Noon

(Subject to Change)

BOXFORD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

	Expended 1965	Budget 1966
ADMINISTRATION		
School Committee		
Salary of Clerk	$300.00	$300.00
Other Expense	363.45	180.00
Superintendent's Office		
Salary	5,257.80	5,500.00
Salaries, Secretarial	2,367.36	2,770.00
Census	100.00	100.00
Supplies and Materials	284.32	271.00
Travel-in-state	263.41	248.00
Travel-out-of-state	42.71	79.00
	$8,979.05	$9,448.00
INSTRUCTION		
Supervision		
Rinehart Handwriting	$350.00	$400.00
Principals		
Salaries	8,600.00	9,167.00
Salaries, Secretarial	3,744.85	4,354.00
Supplies	133.34	150.00
Other Expense	191.04	225.00
Teaching		
Salaries — Regular	132,950.78	144,071.00
Salaries — Special	5,826.48	10,291.00
Salaries—Substitute	1,760.00	2,290.00
Conservation Program	245.00	
Supplies and Materials	4,516.59	4,800.00
Workshop and Conference Expense	266.50	250.00
Textbook Program	2,751.54	2,375.00
Audio Visual Program	338.67	200.00

Guidance Services	464.01	550.00
Educational Television	130.75	135.00
	$162,269.55	$179,258.00

OTHER SCHOOL SERVICES		
Attendance		
Attendance Officer	$10.00	$10.00
School Adjustment Counsellor	2,516.56	3,228.00
Psychiatric Counsellor Service	160.72	150.00
Other Expense — SAC Travel	36.48	50.00
Health Services		
Salaries		
Physician	500.00	500.00
Nurse	1,612.80	1,650.00
Supplies and Materials	34.64	80.00
Pupil Transportation		
Contracted Services		
Regular	28,591.00	27,450.00
Educational Trips	403.00	300.00
Vocational	177.00	250.00
Food Service		
Salary — Lunch Room Supervisors	475.00	1,350.00
	$34,517.20	$35,018.00

OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF PLANT		
Operation of Plant		
Custodial Services	$12,906.43	$13,650.00
Supplies and Materials	1,868.99	2,000.00
Heating Buildings—Oil	5,149.12	5,275.00
Utility Services		
Light and Power	3,807.60	3,960.00
Telephones — Schools	446.34	400.00
Telephones — Administration	123.27	135.00

Maintenance of Plant		
Maintenance of Grounds		
Care of Grounds	88.49	50.00
Waste Removal	449.75	550.00
Other		25.00
Maintenance of Buildings		
Repairs and Upkeep		
Specific	390.12	740.00
Emergency	2,012.59	700.00
Maintenance of Equipment		
Schools — Specific	25.65	130.00
Schools — Emergency	34.94	100.00
Administrative Office		15.00
Replacement of Equipment		
Schools — Emergency		50.00
Administrative Office		25.00
	$27,303.29	$27,805.00
FIXED CHARGES		
Insurance Program	$4,076.98	$4,100.00
COMMUNITY SERVICES		
Reimbursable Janitor Salaries	467.50	660.00
ACQUISITION OF FIXED ASSETS		
Acquisition of Equipment		
Schools	299.50	1,220.00
Library	235.32	400.00
	$534.82	$1,620.00
PROGRAMS WITH OTHER DISTRICTS		
Tuition — Elementary	$125.00	
Tuition — Vocational	950.00	$1,100.00
Tuition — Adult Education	76.95	50.00
	$1,151.95	$1,150.00
TOTALS	$239,300.34	$259,059.00

SPECIAL ACCOUNTS:			
P. L. 874 — Federal Aid		$240.00	
In accordance with Section 10, Chapter 6433 (Acts of 1948), the following State reimbursement estimates are:			
Budget 1966			$259,059.00
Chapter 70 (Gen. Aid for Education)			
Elementary	$41,699.40		
Secondary	27,799.60		
		$694,499.00	
School Transportation		24,800.00	
School Adjustment Counsellor		1,800.00	
Speech Program		800.00	
Vocational Education Tuition and Travel		575.00	
Union Superintendent Salary and Travel		1,290.00	
		$98,764.00	
For Elementary Purposes			70,964.40
Cost to Town for Elementary Education			$188,094.60

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Finance Committee has reviewed all of the 1966 budget requests with the department heads and the different committees of the Town. We feel that the requests recommended for the 1966 budget are valid and reasonable.

The Finance Committee transferred the following amounts to departments from the Reserve Fund during the year:

8/27/65	$800.00	to	Veterans' Benefits
10/29/65	2,500.00	to	Police Department
12/17/65	2,500.00	to	Police Department
	1,700.00	to	Fire Department
12/31/65	349.46	to	Group Life and Hospital Ins.
	139.26	to	Fire Department

The budget requests for the Police and Fire departments show a considerable increase. Although the increases are large over the 1965 budget requests, the above shows that it was necessary to use a substantial amount of the Reserve Fund to keep these departments running throughout the year. It is felt that both departments can operate within their respective budgets for the coming year, barring any unforeseen emergencies.

The budget for the Masconomet Regional School is higher, but it should be noted that Boxford's share of the budget has risen to 28.88% over its 1965 percent of 27.29. The Regional agreement specifies that the costs of operation and debt service be apportioned annually on the number of students from each member town attending the regional school.

The Finance Committee recommends that the Selectmen review monthly with each Department head the expenses of their Department. It is our feeling that the Town can greatly benefit from these monthly meetings as all concerned will be aware of all financial problems that may have arisen or will arise in each department.

The Finance Committee would like to have the bonding procedures for the construction of new roads formalized as to the amount of the bond required, the responsibility of inspection of the work, and the final discharge of the bond. Also, the

town should in some way be compensated for the inspection of road construction. At the present time this inspection work is being done by Town employees who are being paid by the Town.

The Finance Committee would again like to recommend to the Planning Board that on new subdivisions an effort should be made to secure sites for dry wells either by gifts of land or easements.

Respectfully submitted,

DeWITT T. MINICH
ARION C. PIERCE
JOHN G. BOLTON
ALLEN E. GRIFFIN
ROBERT BUELL
Finance Committee

WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Essex, ss.
To either of the Constables of the Town of Boxford, in said County.

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Boxford, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs to meet at the Masconomet Regional School, Boxford, on Monday, the seventh day of March next, at 8:00 o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

Article 1. To hear and act on the reports of the Town Officers and Committees.

Article 2. To act on the suggested budget and to see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the use of the several departments for the current year, to wit: Schools, Highways and Bridges, Charities, Health, Veterans' Benefits, Street Lighting, Moth Suppression, Memorial Day, Forest Warden, Town Halls, Elections, Interest on Loans, Town Clerk, Accountant, Selectmen and all other necessary and proper expenses arising during said year.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate $2,500.00 or other suitable sum, for the maintenance of Road Machinery, said amount to be transferred from the Road Machinery Fund.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate $15,000.00 for the Reserve Fund, said amount to be transferred from Overlay Reserve.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1966 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than

one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

Article 6. To allow bills of charge and to raise and appropriate money for paying the same.

Article 7. To see what compensation the Town will vote to pay for labor in the several departments for the ensuing year.

Article 8. To appropriate the sum of $555.45 refunded from the County on account of dog licenses for libraries or schools.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $6,000.00 to be used for providing public library service for the Town.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to accept Whittier Terrace as a public road.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $37,100.00 from Surplus Revenue to meet the State and County allotments for highways, said money when reimbursed to be credited to Surplus Revenue.

Article 12. To see whether the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,000.00 or any other sum for improvements in the Fire Stations.

Article 13. To see whether the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $500.00 or any other sum for dry hydrants.

Article 14. To see whether the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,000.00 or any other sum for the purpose of trading the police cruiser for a 1966 model.

Article 15. To see whether the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $175.00 or any other sum for microfilming of records.

Article 16. To see whether the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,500.00 or any other sum for the purchase of highway equipment.

Article 17. To see whether the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,000.00 or any other sum for recreational planning.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise, assess and appropriate, or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury a sum not exceeding $10,200.00 for the purpose of providing the Town's share of the cost of the Regional District School Committee to pay for an architect, or other professional services, to dray plans and specifications for an addition to the regional school together with any remodeling to the existing building as may be made necessary thereby, in accordance with the original agreement with the towns of Middleton and Topsfield establishing the Regional School District as amended by vote of the member towns in 1961 and 1965, and to expressly ratify and confirm the Town's acceptance of said amendments, and to direct the Town Treasurer to pay over said sum to the Regional District School Committee to be used only in conjunction with funds appropriated by the other two member towns for this purpose.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $4,780.00 or any other sum for the construction during the year 1966 of a regulation-size baseball field at Boy Scout Park or take any other action in the matter.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $13,000.00 or any other sum for the purpose of establishing and equipping a central communications system for town departments, or take any other action in the matter.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $800.00 to be used in conjunction with an allotment from the State under Chapter 90 Maintenance.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $6,000.00 to be used in conjunction with allotments from the State and County under Chapter 90 Construction.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to appoint a committee of five members to be known as the Boxford Water and Drainage Committee; said committee to be appointed for the purpose of planning the development and protection of water sources within the town.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen and/or the Water and Drainage Committee to engage a professional engineering company to conduct a survey of the potential source or sources of water supply for the Town, and to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum not to exceed $10,000.00 therefor.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $3,400.00 or any other sum for the Conservation Committee.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to abandon the unused portion of the old Ipswich Road between Highland Road and the present Stecker residence, and to authorize the Selectmen to execute such releases or conveyances as will be necessary to give access to the present Ipswich Road from the proposed Eagle Nest Hill subdivision.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to repair and improve a section of Willow Road, from Washington Street to Georgetown town line, and to appropriate therefor the sum of $3,390.00, said sum to be transferred from the funds received from the State under Chapter 679, Acts of 1965.

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be added to the Stabilization Fund, or take any other action thereon.

Article 29. To see whether the Town will adopt the following By-law:

"Any person or firm requiring the services of the Tree Warden shall pay for such services at an hourly rate established by the Selectmen. Such compensation shall be paid directly to the said Tree Warden."

Article 30. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

You are hereby ordered to notify and warn said qualified voters to meet in the Fire Station, Precinct I, Boxford, on Tuesday, the eighth day of March next, for the following purposes, viz: To choose by ballot the following Town Officers for the ensuing year: Moderator for one year; Selectman for three years; Assessor of Taxes for three years; Collector of

Taxes for one year; Member of the Board of Health for three years; Highway Surveyor for one year; Tree Warden for one year; Constable, East Parish, for one year; Constable, West Parish, for one year; Two Members of the Planning Board for five years; Two Members of the School Committee for three years; One Member of the Regional District School Committee for one year; One Member of the Regional District School Committee for three years; Three Library Trustees for one year; Three Library Trustees for two years; Three Library Trustees for three years.

THE POLLS WILL BE OPEN AT 12:00 NOON AND WILL CLOSE AT 8:00 P.M.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof at each of the public meeting houses in said town seven days, at least, before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this eleventh day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixty-six.

HARRY L. COLE
JOHN EVANS
CLAYTON B. LARRABEE
Board of Selectmen

SUGGESTED BUDGET FOR 1966

Selectmen	$1,450.00
Board of Public Welfare	300.00
Assessors	2,500.00
Treasurer	700.00
Town Clerk	600.00
Collector of Taxes	2,000.00
Town Accountant	2,900.00
Registrars	400.00
Elections	1,200.00
Planning Board	300.00
Appeal Board	200.00
Building Inspector	1,000.00
Wire Inspector	1,000.00
Gas Inspector	500.00
Plumbing Inspector	600.00
Finance Committee	50.00
Town Counsel	500.00
Recreation Committee	1,200.00
Board of Health	4,800.00
Inspection of Slaughter	800.00
Inspection of Animals	50.00
Dog Officer	100.00
Police	18,000.00
Fire Department	16,200.00
Tree Warden	2,000.00
Moth Suppression	1,400.00
Dutch Elm Disease	2,000.00
Public Welfare Disability Assistance Aid to Dependent Children Old Age Assistance Medical Aid to Aged	14,000.00
Central Essex Welfare District Administration	722.00
Veterans' Benefits	1,500.00
School	259,059.00

Regional District School	342,192.76
Selectmen's Highway Fund	2,000.00
Chapter 81 Maintenance	3,400.00
Snow Removal	21,000.00
Street Lighting	900.00
Vacation Account	1,200.00
Sick Benefit	350.00
Town Halls	2,000.00
Public Grounds	300.00
Town Forest	100.00
Civil Defense	215.00
Insurance	6,400.00
Memorial Day	525.00
Soldiers' Graves	225.00
Mt. Vernon Cemetery	50.00
Harmony Cemetery	150.00
Boxford Village Cemetery	150.00
Town Reports	1,600.00
Clerical	2,000.00
Selectmen's Contingent Fund	1,000.00
Interest on Maturing Debt	3,500.00
School House Notes	31,000.00
Community House	300.00
Conservation Committee	1,520.00
Group Hospital & Life Insurance	4,000.00
	$764,108.76